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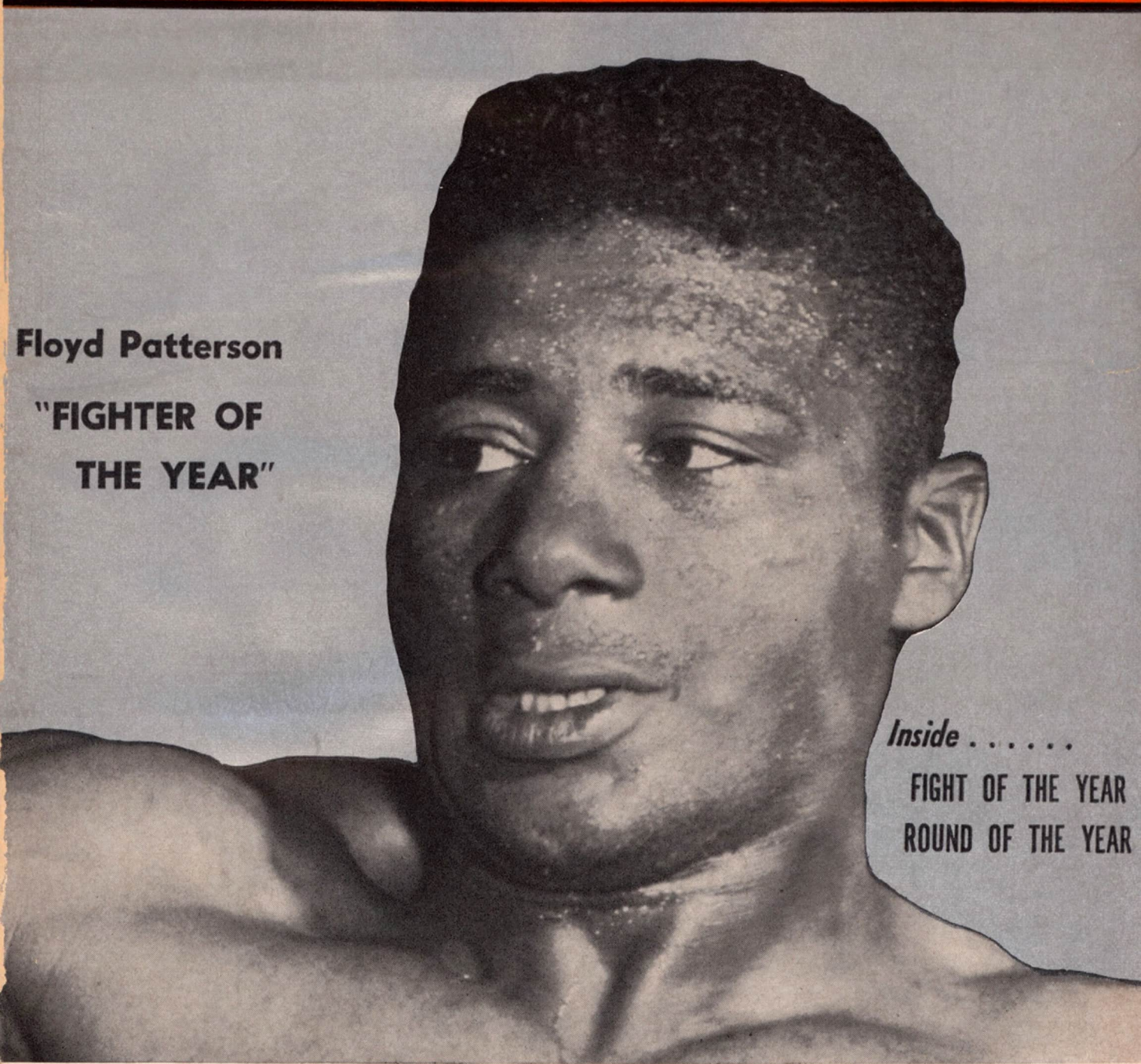

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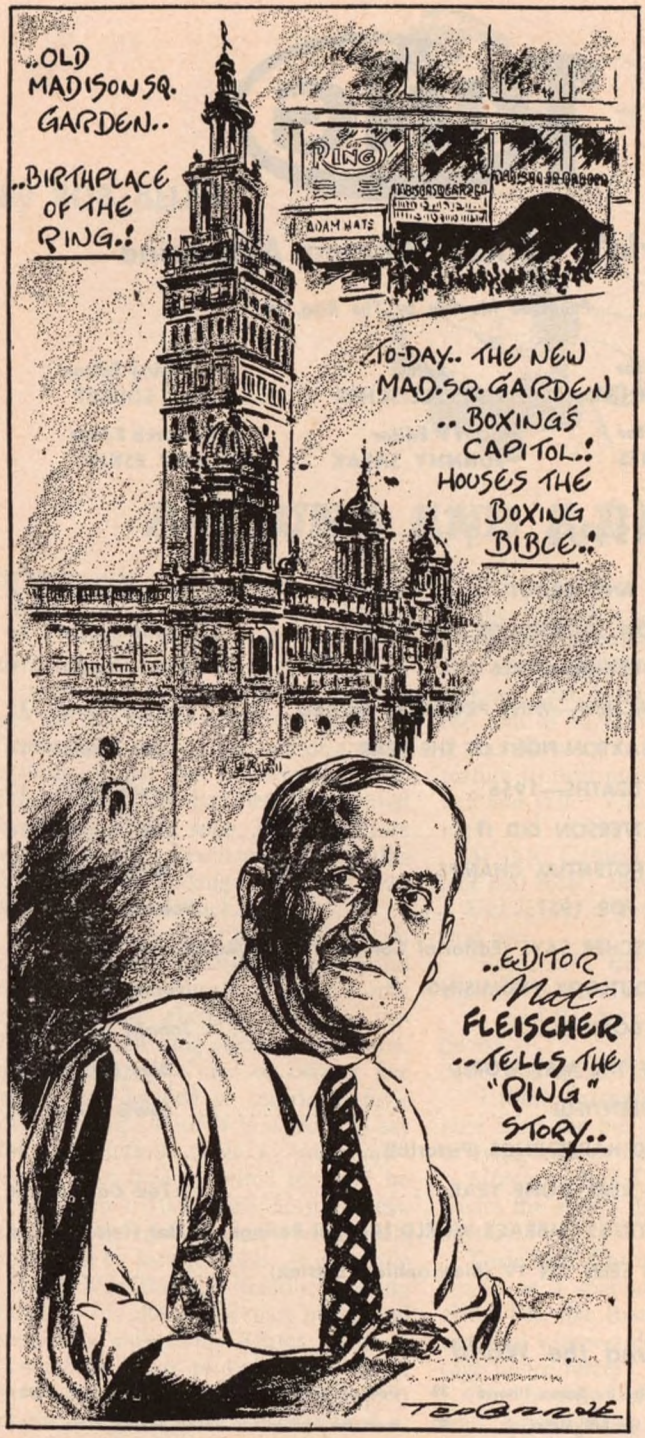

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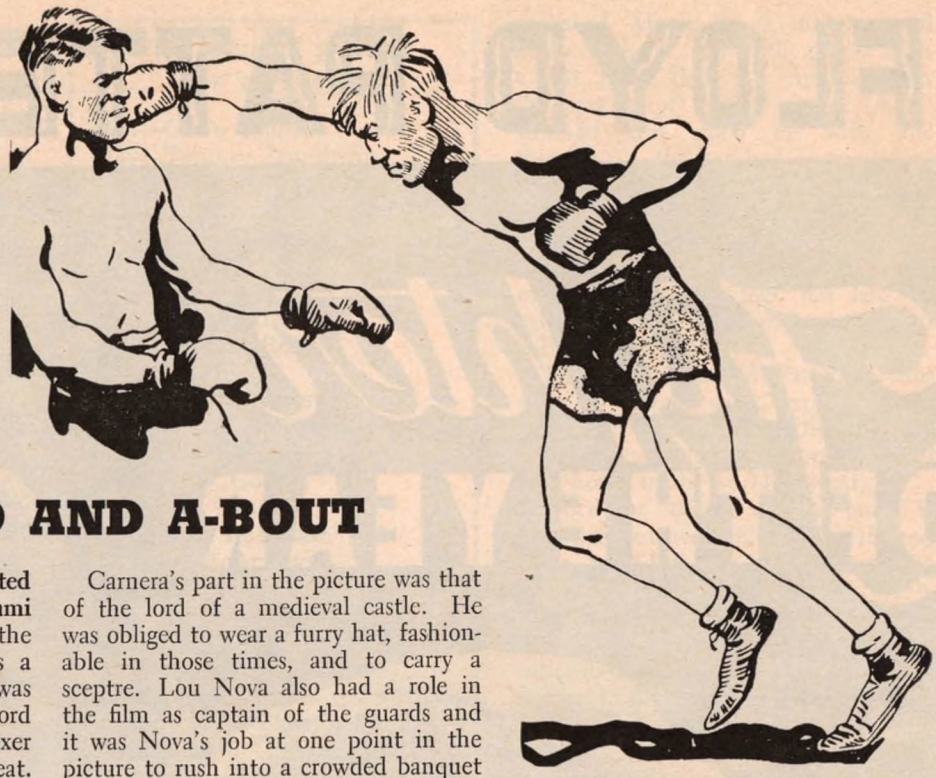

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

WHEN Holly Mims defeated Jimmy Beecham at Miami Beach some weeks back the wire services spoke of the fight as a "*comeback*" effort for Mims. This was not the first time we had seen the word "*comeback*" used in the case of a boxer making his first start following a defeat. Seems that Mims had been outpointed by Spider Webb some months before and, in meeting Beecham three months later, he was making—said the news services—a "*comeback*."

We always thought this word had an entirely different meaning in boxing and that it referred rather to a return to the ring by some gladiator who had retired from all ring activity but then, after the lapse of one or two or five years, had decided to return to fistic campaigning. Thus it is correct to say that Jim Jeffries made a "*comeback*" when, after having retired in 1905 he returned in 1910 to make an unsuccessful effort to regain the heavyweight title then held by Jack Johnson. It is equally correct to say that Jim Braddock, having hung up his gloves as a discouraged and seemingly washed-up fighter, made a "*comeback*" that proved so successful he wound up as heavyweight champion of the world. Ray Robinson retired as middleweight champion in 1952, made a "*comeback*" in 1955 and regained the title.

There are many other instances of such "comeback" efforts, some of them successful, some of them (like Benny Leonard's) unsuccessful. But it is in circumstances of this kind that the word is applicable.

Ran across a Primo Carnera anecdote the other day which was new to us. We saw it in a column by Bob Hesketh in the Toronto Telegram. He was writing about various former heavyweight champions who had tried their hand at playacting and he told of the time Carnera landed a part in a Hollywood production named Prince Valiant. As Hesketh tells the story:

Carnera's part in the picture was that of the lord of a medieval castle. He was obliged to wear a furry hat, fashionable in those times, and to carry a sceptre. Lou Nova also had a role in the film as captain of the guards and it was Nova's job at one point in the picture to rush into a crowded banquet hall and yell: "*The enemy is approaching!*"

At this, Carnera was to leap to his feet and roar: "*Barricade the gates!*"

Unhappily, it never quite turned out that way.

"*Barricood the geets!*" Carnera shouted as the director yelled cut.

. . . and the next time: "*Barrigate the goots!*"

. . . . . and again: "*Garricade the boots!*"

"*I think,*" remarked an extra as Carnera tried for the 27th take, "*that he is trying to say, 'Barbeque the goats.'*"

After spending $10,000 re-taking the scene, the studio decided not to use it anyway.

Toxie Hall, Chicago heavyweight who served as a sparmate for Rocky Marciano, has, like Rocky, retired from the ring and is now a detective on the Chicago police force.

Our favorite referees are the ones who, when giving instructions to the fighters at the start of a contest, invariably say:

"*In case either of you is knocked down you're to go to the furthest neutral corner.*" Who?

We are not so fond of those referees who include in their instructions the admonition: "*When I say break I mean break and I want you to break and break clean!*"—and then, at the very first clinch, rush in, grab each fighter by the arm, and tear them apart —forgetting in the process, to yell "*Break!*"

Several months ago we had something to say when Ewart Potgeiter, 330-pound South African who had had a few fights in England, announced he was forsaking his ring ambitions and was going home to Johannesburg. Lo and behold, the mountainous South African showed up in the States a few weeks ago intent on resuming his ring activities. He was to make his first U. S. start in Boston but the Massachusetts Boxing Commission, exercising commendable judgment, refused to allow the misguided young gentleman to compete in that state.

Since this publication had its own editor and publisher at the Olympics Olympics in Melbourne, it seems needless for this column to comment on the proceedings. However we can't help wondering what excuse can possibly be given for transporting boxers half way around the world only to have them come in overweight and be disqualified.

One of the London boxing writers, here to cover the Patterson-Moore fight, met Joe Louis on a Chicago street corner.

"*Where you heading?*" asked Joe.

"*I'm on my way to the Internal Revenue office to clear my taxes so I can leave for London right after the fight.*" said the Britisher.

"*Put a couple of million down for me,*" said Joe.

The British Board of Boxing Control has a doctor's certificate in its files from Billy Kelly, former Empire featherweight champion. It is a unique document, prepared by a dentist and explaining why Kelly has had to abandon the featherweight class to compete henceforth as a lightweight. It seems that the loss of perspiration which accompanies weight-making affected the calcium in Kelly's teeth and caused cavities to form. Maybe fight managers know

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FLOYD PATTERSON

FLOYD PATTERSON, new heavyweight champion of the world, is The Ring Magazine's Fighter of the Year, and outstanding professional boxing personality for 1956.

The selection group composed of staff members of this publication headed by Nat Fleischer, and augmented by correspondents all over the United States and foreign countries, picked Patterson unanimously. And yet, it was no runaway contest. There was formidable opposition from several directions.

Carmen Basilio, welterweight champion, finished a close second, and Joe Brown, new lightweight king, landed third.

Assiduously the task was pursued as the hopper jiggled the names of the hopefuls. Brown, who a year ago was an apparently washed up veteran, on the verge of oblivion, was a strong contender.

Brown's path during 1956 had been strewn with success. It all started with his knockout over Arthur Persley in the dawning of the new year and continued with non-title wins over Wallace Bud Smith and Eddie Brant. It culminated in his winning the lightweight championship of the world, from Smith in New Orleans. He had driven from the darkest depths to the shining heights.

By
NAT LOUBET

Basilio, was another to gain high recognition in the search for the "Fighter of the Year." Although he lost his title to Johnny Saxton in a fifteen round decision he showed the fortitude of a real champion in recapturing the title by knocking out Saxton in nine rounds. The manner in which he won the title, his definite superiority over Saxton for the entire fight up to the knockout, left Basilio in a strong contender's position for boxing's top award.

However, the Selection Committee decided to name Patterson "Fighter of the Year". For the fourth time in five years The Ring's citation has been awarded to a heavyweight champion of the world.

The claims of Basilio and Brown were well substantiated but the new heavyweight king's right to the award was definite outside the ring as well as within.

ITALY'S BANTAM D'AGATA ACHIEVES FOURTH HONORS

Fourth position was awarded to Mario D'Agata for his winning of the bantamweight title from Robert Cohen of France. D'Agata is the first Italian since Primo Carnera to gain a world title and is only the second Italian to land that distinction in the modern glove era.

Fifth position was voted to Pascual Perez, world flyweight champ, by virtue of his being the most active champion for the year. Perez defended his crown thrice. No other title holder defended his crown more than once during 1956.

Patterson was in contention for Ring Magazine honors last year when he was voted in fifth in a field topped by Rocky Marciano.

The Ring at that time stated as the reason for Floyd's nomination: "Fifth place behind Rocky has been voted Floyd Patterson, a boxer who holds no title, **but who appears to be on his way to light heavyweight laurels and perhaps, ultimately to the heavyweight crown.**"

Despite the charge that boxing talent is on the wane The Ring has not found this to be true. The Ring files hold more active fighters than they did a year ago and more youngsters have pushed into the limelight than in a decade. This publication is especially proud of the men who head the list of contenders for the "Fighter of the Year" award which compares favorably with boxers honored in past years.

The Ring Magazine in coming to its decision makes no attempt to run a popularity contest. Nor is the award dictated by anything other than the fitness of the considered fighters, both from the aspects of their fighting ability as well as being the possessors of untarnished out-of-the-ring reputation. Their fistic fitness must be obvious and no aspersions or doubt may be connected with their ring-work.

The Ring attempts to make a choice that will be an example to the youth of the land, those eligible must have superb public relations and reflect favorably on their profession.

The first award was given in 1928 to Gene Tunney in the era of "live" arena participation with the radio making noises but not being heard sufficiently to cause trouble.

Patterson, the thirtieth winner of the "Fighter of the Year" finds television a mightier instrument than anything that has come before. In Patterson, The Ring honors a fighter whose personal conduct is open to no aspersion by Mom, Dad, or the youngsters who watch the bouts at home.

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THEY THOUGHT PATTERSON "BOY ON MAN'S ERRAND"

It has been said that when Floyd entered the ring to fight Archie Moore, the fortyish, in Chicago, that his board of strategy was asking a boy to do a man's job. After Patterson had demolished Moore in 2 minutes and 27 seconds of the fifth round with a left hook that put Archibald on the canvas for a nine count, 14,000 stunned fans stood up with one thought . . . the boy had accomplished a man's job. Moore dragged himself to his feet only to receive the coup de grace, a pushing right that wasn't needed and felled the loser much like a tree that has had its trunk cut and needs only a push to fall to the ground.

The twenty-year-old Patterson thus won his second world crown. Four years ago he took the Olympic 165 pound title and now, the most sought after honor in the world of sports.

Floyd got 30% of a "live" and TV gate that reached $428,145. His end came to $116,274 as compared to Moore's 35% share of $126,274. Television payment for the show was $200,000, leaving the Chicago Arena gate at $228,145.

The I. B. C. now envisions a million dollar gate if Marciano would come out of retirement. Rocky spiked such rumors by a flat denial. He repeated his oft quoted statement, *"I won't be back, I'm flattered by the question but the answer is . . .* **No!"**

However in a recent interview Rocky left his questioners with a doubt as to the finality of his decision. Apparently in a solid financial position as of the moment, the ex-heavyweight champ is not immune to the suggestion that he is throwing away a million dollars by his flat refusal to make a comeback.

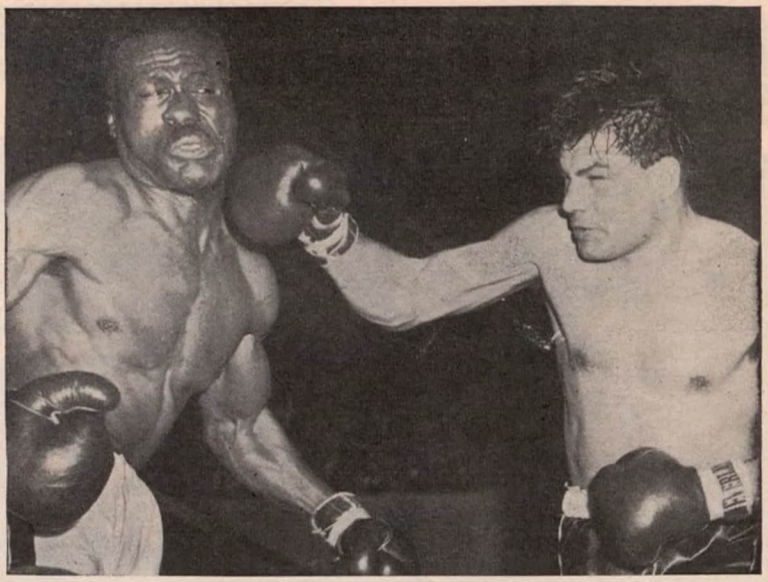
In his interview he mentioned how nice it was to have a crowd mill around him on a short walk in New York City, how he had thought everyone would forget him once he had given up the crown, how he had been thrilled by a youngster shouting to him "Hi, Champ," as if he had never retired.

Marciano maintains he is "finished with fighting," but in the same breath when asked about his chances with Patterson if they were matched he leaves the door open. He doesn't give any impression that such a match is completely impossible. When asked about his back and family problems that had plagued him into giving up the ring, Rocky stated: "My back is much better, I hardly know there's anything the matter with it at all."

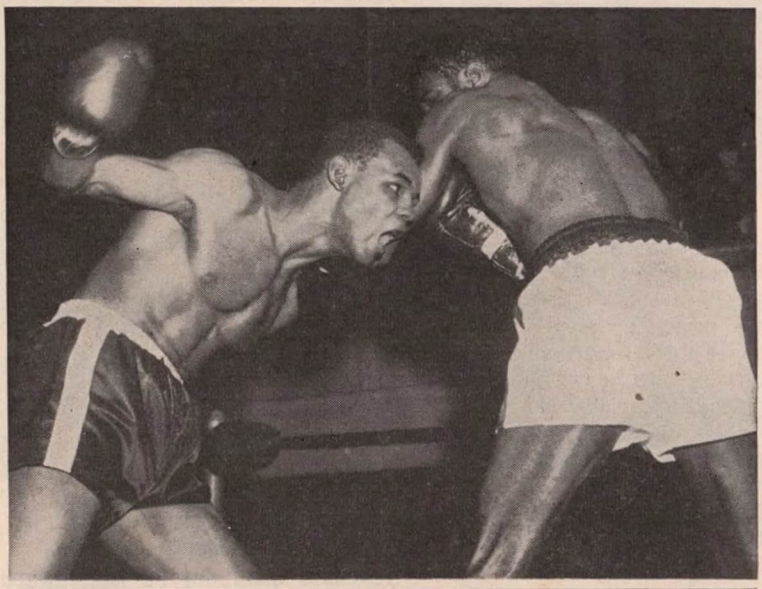
"But I won't be back," says Rocky and we feel that he wants to believe it but there is something in the way he says it that leaves the door wide open.

Patterson, Basilio, Brown, D'Agata, and Perez, they stand out as a gallant crew, champions who give the lie to the ring's detractors, "Fighter of the Year" heroes who amply attest to the 1956 strength of boxing, and the alluring flavor of the 1957 outlook.

VIEWS OF THE MONTH



Alex Miteff, Argentine heavyweight, hammers a hard right to the head of Archie McBride, as he goes on to score a split ten rounds decision and remain undefeated.



Garnet (Sugar) Hart, (right) Philadelphia welterweight, tangles with Hector Constance, of Trinidad, in New York. Hart stopped Constance in the tenth round, the first time the Trinidad fighter has been halted.

Zora Folley, Chandler, Ariz., heavyweight, takes a long right to the head thrown by Wayne Bethea. But Folley looked good in TV debut and won the ten rounds decision. This contest following on the heels of Folley's victory over Nino Valdes gained a place in the ratings for Zora.

BOXING REVIEW 1956

By DAN DANIEL

Rocky Marciano hung them up for good . . . he's second heavyweight champ in history to retire undefeated and remain so.

QUITE definitely, the boxing year of 1956 may be set down as one of progress and improvement. The twelve months opened with the Cassandras prognosticating woe more volubly than ever. It closed with the house almost in order and the outlook for continued progress in 1957 bright.

Boxing appeared to have suffered a most serious blow when Rocky Marciano, heavyweight champion of the world, who had contributed so spectacularly to the good and welfare of the sport, announced his retirement and threw his title back into the public arena.

In the past, retirement of a heavyweight champion invariably had been followed by a protracted period of doubt and indecision, and general letdown.

However, before the year 1956 had closed, a new official champion had been crowned, in Floyd Patterson, former Olympic hero, who knocked out Archie Moore in the fifth round.

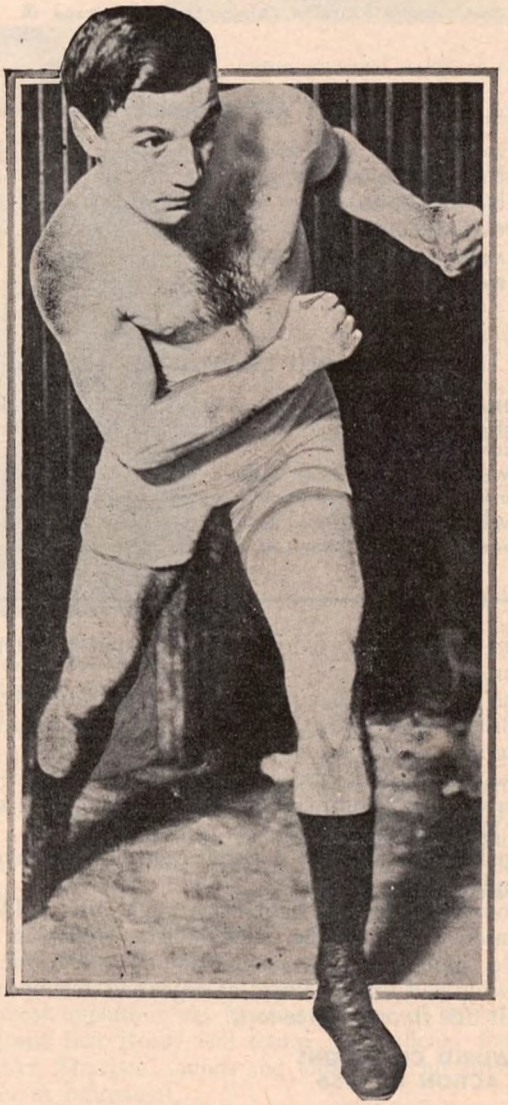
Patterson converted what had been regarded as a serious threat by Moore to establish himself as the titleholder into a mere hoax. Archie was belted about from the start, leaving the experts agog over a new champion who, they said, could develop into one of the all-time greats.

The Patterson triumph not only polished up the 1956 record, but gave added lustre to the 1957 picture as viewed in the crystal balls of the ring seers.

FLOOD OF NEW TALENT ALL OVER THE WORLD

The year 1956 not only produced a new and dramatic champion in Patterson but it brought out new talent in all parts of the world with a profusion that was reminiscent of the balmy days when small clubs flourished all over the USA and youngsters were drawn away from the factories by the powerful financial allure of the ring.

Just how many highly promising young fighters came to the fore in 1956 is indicated in another story in this issue. The rosters of the up and coming, the precocious and the promising are heavy beyond belief.



Benny Yanger, outstanding featherweight and lightweight from Chicago around the turn of the century passed away during the year.

The year 1956 produced no fewer than eleven world championship fights, with titles changing hands four times and the succession to the heavyweight crown determined in a contest between the two recognized standout contenders.

In the bantamweight class, Italy's Mario D'Agata, first deaf mute to achieve a world title, succeeded France's

LARGEST GATE FOR 1956

Ray Robinson vs. Carl (Bobo) Olson, May 18, at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles, Calif.—$233,456.00.

LARGEST PURSE FOR 1956

Archie Moore—$118,300.50. His 35% of gate in bout with Floyd Patterson including money from TV and Radio.

GATES OF $100,000.00 OR MORE IN 1956

1. Robinson-Olson, May 18, Wrigley Field, Los Angeles..$233,456.00
2. Patterson-Moore, November 30, Chicago Stadium, Chicago, Ill. $228,145.00
3. Moore-Parker, July 25, Maple Leaf Stadium, Toronto, Canada $148,500.00
4. Basilio-Saxton, Sept. 12, War Memorial Auditorium, Syracuse, N. Y. $134,939.00
5. Saxton-Basilio, March 14, Chicago Stadium, Chicago, Ill. $104,288.00

SIX LARGEST ATTENDANCE FOR 1956

1. Macias-Espinosa, March 25, Mexico City, Mexico.....60,000
2. D'Agata-Cohen, June 29, Rome, Italy.....38,000
3. Diez-Moreno, January 22, Mexico City, Mexico.....30,000
4. Erskine-Richardson, May 7, Cardiff, Wales.....30,000
5. Moore-Parker, July 25, Toronto, Canada.....21,438
6. Robinson-Olson, May 18, Los Angeles, Calif.....20,083

NEW WORLD CHAMPIONS IN 1956

HEAVYWEIGHT—Floyd Patterson of Brooklyn, N. Y. knocked out Archie Moore in 5 rounds at Chicago, Ill. on November 30 to win vacant title.

WELTERWEIGHT—Johnny Saxton of Brooklyn, N. Y. outpointed Carmen Basilio in 15 rounds at Chicago, Ill. on March 15.

WELTERWEIGHT—Carmen Basilio of Syracuse, N. Y. knocked out Johnny Saxton in 9 rounds at Syracuse, N. Y. on September 12.

LIGHTWEIGHT—Joe Brown of New Orleans, La. outpointed Wallace (Bud) Smith in 15 rounds at New Orleans, La. on August 24.

BANTAMWEIGHT—Mario D'Agata of Arezzo, Italy knocked out Robert Cohen in 6 rounds at Rome, Italy on June 29.

TITLE BOUTS IN 1956

January 11—Flyweight Pascual Perez gained the decision over Leo Espinosa in 15 rounds at Buenos Aires, Argentina.

January 18—Featherweight Sandy Saddler stopped Gabriel (Flash) Elorde in 13 rounds at San Francisco, Calif.

March 14—Welterweight Johnny Saxton gained the decision over Carmen Basilio in 15 rounds at Chicago, Ill.

May 18—Middleweight Ray Robinson knocked out Carl (Bobo) Olson in 4 rounds at Los Angeles, Calif.

June 5—Light heavyweight Archie Moore stopped Yolande Pompey in 10 rounds at London, England.

June 29—Bantamweight Mario D'Agata stopped Robert Cohen in 6 rounds at Rome, Italy.

June 30—Flyweight Pascual Perez knocked out Oscar Suarez in 11 rounds at Montevideo, Uruguay.

August 3—Flyweight Pascual Perez knocked out Ricardo Valdez in 5 rounds at Tandil, Argentina.

August 24—Lightweight Joe Brown outpointed Wallace (Bud) Smith in 15 rounds at New Orleans, La.

September 12—Welterweight Carmen Basilio stopped Johnny Saxton in 9 rounds at Syracuse, N. Y.

November 30—Heavyweight Floyd Patterson knocked out Archie Moore in 5 rounds at Chicago, Ill.

RECORD KNOCKDOWNS FOR 1956

February 10—London, England, Arthur Howard floored Terry Gooding nine times in four rounds. (Light heavyweights) Gooding disqualified for going down without being hit.

February 22—Richmond, Calif. Larry Vasquez floored Cleo Lane seven times in ten rounds to stop him in tenth round. Lane was down four times in the tenth. (Featherweights)

February 23—Boston, Mass. Bobby McHugh floored Don Southern six times in stopping him in five rounds. (Welterweights)

February 11—Trenton, N. J. Joey Giardello floored Tim Jones six times in stopping him in ten rounds. (Middleweights)

April 10—Richmond, Calif. Archie Moore floored Willie Bean six times in stopping him in five rounds. (Heavyweights)

Robert Cohen, who faded out rather quickly after a big year in 1955.

The lightweight championship passed into the keeping of Joe Brown, of New Orleans, who in 1955 was regarded as a fading veteran and landed in Class A.

The welterweight title passed first from Carmen Basilio, of Syracuse, to Johnny Saxton, highly controversial scrapper from New York, and then back to Basilio.

Finally, there was the determination of the heavyweight championship.

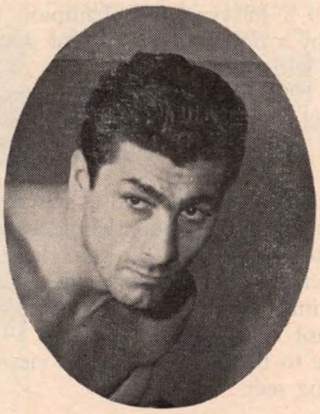
Moore continued as light heavyweight title holder, Ray Robinson remained the middleweight champion, Sandy Saddler hung a deadly moratorium on the featherweight leadership and Pascual Perez, of Argentina, retained the flyweight title through three tests.

ALL WORLD CHAMPIONS SAW ACTION IN 1956

The eleven title fights came within two of matching the total for 1955, which saw every world champion go on the defense.

The championship affairs of 1956 also brought into action the leaders of all classifications, with the Patterson-Moore fight of primary importance, and yet not the recognized Fight of the Year.

In the light heavyweight division, the one title defense resulted in a ten round knockout of Yolande Pompey by Moore, in London. It will be recollected that the British



Eduardo Lausse, Argentina middleweight with a smashing left hook, who lost his South American title to Andres Selpa and then retired from boxing. In 1955 he was rated as the fifth best middle in the world.

Empire representative gave a fine account of himself for eight rounds, and then faded as Archie began to be his old self again in the face of having made 175 pounds rather precariously.

The big fight in the middleweight section saw Ray Robinson knock out Bobo Olson in four rounds. Olson was a faded and discredited battler that night and did well to announce his retirement from an occupation into which he no longer fitted physically.

Saxton took the middleweight title from Basilio in a 15 round engagement in Chicago which left behind it the

unsavory aroma of a dessicated mackerel left much too long in a hot sun on a Florida fishing dock.

The authenticity and justice of the decision were left very much in doubt. In fact, it was the one stinko of the year in championship competition.

The air was fumigated and cleaned when, in their return fight in Syracuse, a Basilio with an added mission ripped Saxton to pieces and knocked him out in the ninth round.

The fight in which Brown took the lightweight title from Wallace Bud Smith with a split decision, in New Orleans, was one of the most dramatic of the boxing year as Brown had to win with only one hand. He had injured his right.

In the featherweight class Sandy Saddler knocked out Manila's Flash Elorde, ninth ranking 126 pounder for 1955 in the thirteenth round, in San Francisco.

Ezzard Charles, ex-heavyweight champion of the world, who hung up his gloves in 1956. Ezz made the announcement of his retirement on the same evening that Floyd Patterson became the new heavyweight champion.

COHEN POLISHED OFF IN SIX ROUNDS BY D'AGATA

D'Agata's title winning fight with Cohen was held in Rome, with the Italian scoring a six round knockout.

Perez beat Leo Espinosa, of the Philippines, top ranking contender, Oscar Suarez, of Cuba, and Ricardo Valdez, of Chile, in going through the year with the flyweight laurels.

Espinosa lasted the fifteen rounds, Suarez left the premises in the eleventh, and Valdes became non-vult in the fifth.

The fight in which Robinson clobbered Olson was the money leader of the year, with a gross of $233,456.

Right behind this came the Patterson-Moore contest, with $228,145. That affair also picked up a tidy 200 grand from television.

There were three other fights which landed in the $100,000 or better class.

Harry Mendel (left) who passed away during the year, seen with Joe Louis. Mendel was one of boxing's top publicity men and better liked fistic personalities.

Moore and James J. Parker attracted $148,500 Canadian dollars in a gorgeous promotion in Toronto. This event wins the Ballyhoo Job of the Year mug, for the blowing up of little into a big gate.

Both of the Basilio-Saxton brawls landed in the rich gravy class. In Chicago they drew $104,288 and in Syracuse they lured $134,939 into the box office. This Basilio hombre was one of the star magnets of the ring in 1956, and promises to continue that way in 1957.

The Cisco Andrade-Art Aragon fight in Los Angeles, an affair of great local allure, drew $95,000.

60,000 FANS ATTENDED MACIAS FIGHT IN MEXICO

The turnstile championship of the year went outside the USA to Mexico in 1956. Raton Macias and Leo Espinosa drew 60,000 persons but the take was only $83,000. Not bad at all for a couple of little guys.

In the United States, the top attendance 20,083 was achieved by the Robinson-Olson fight in Los Angeles. The Patterson-Moore event in the Chicago Stadium, indoors, drew 16,248 fans.

Had Floyd and Archibald been able to tangle in Yankee Stadium, as originally intended, they would have set the USA high for 1956.

In 1955, boxing had to contend with a lot of adverse publicity. State investigations in California and Pennsylvania revealed a lot of stinking and sordid details.

In 1956, that sort of advertising for boxing was reduced to a minimum. Not that all trace of scandal had been eliminated. But things had been cleaned up fairly well.

Television boxing, which had begun to lose out in 1955, skidded more in public favor in 1956. This phase of boxing calls for a story all unto itself.

The need for so many shows per week to live up to television contracts produces a lot of mismatches and serves up for the video fans fights which, before TV, would have been $1.50 tops.

However, the public has the remedy. It doesn't have to watch those things. And it doesn't watch, it is not subject to the appeal of the commercials, and does not buy the sponsors' products.

In 1955, there was a lot of furor about the International Boxing Club and its position as an apparent monopoly. The year 1956 saw this holler subside. Not that the hold of the IBC had weakened. But the fight public appeared to accept the fact that if IBC were to quit the field, boxing in the USA would go to the demonition bow-wows.

FOUR STANDOUT FIGHTERS QUIT THE RING IN 1956

The past year saw four standout fighters quit the ring. The most important was Marciano. Some of the wise men still insist that Rocky will return, to challenge Patterson. However, Marciano sounds and looks as if he intended to remain in retirement.

Ezzard Charles, former heavyweight champion, announced his long overdue retirement the night Patterson won the title.

Olson went out of action after the knockout by Robinson and Eduardo Lausse, once promising middleweight from the Argentine also found his erratic course in the ring too much for him.

Among the deaths of 1956 were those of Benny Yanger, Harry Lewis, Joe Mandot, Elky Clark, Jackie Wilson, Pedro Tessis, Emil Chemama, Chick Simler, Spider Roche and Mike Gibbons, of the ring profession, and Pop Foster,

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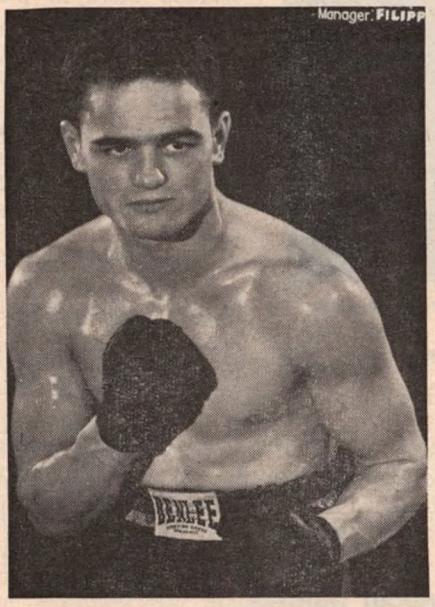
WINS PROGRESS AWARD

By JERSEY JONES

ONCE again we meet up with that annual problem of trying to determine what one fighter, in all the world, could be credited with having made the most significant progress in boxing during the previous year.

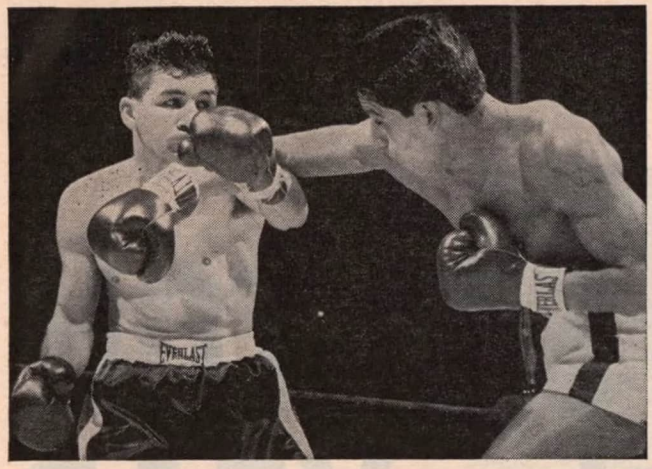
It was three years ago that The Ring decided to eliminate its Rookie of the Year feature and replace it with the selection of the fighter who had made the most impressive hop from comparative obscurity to international prominence.



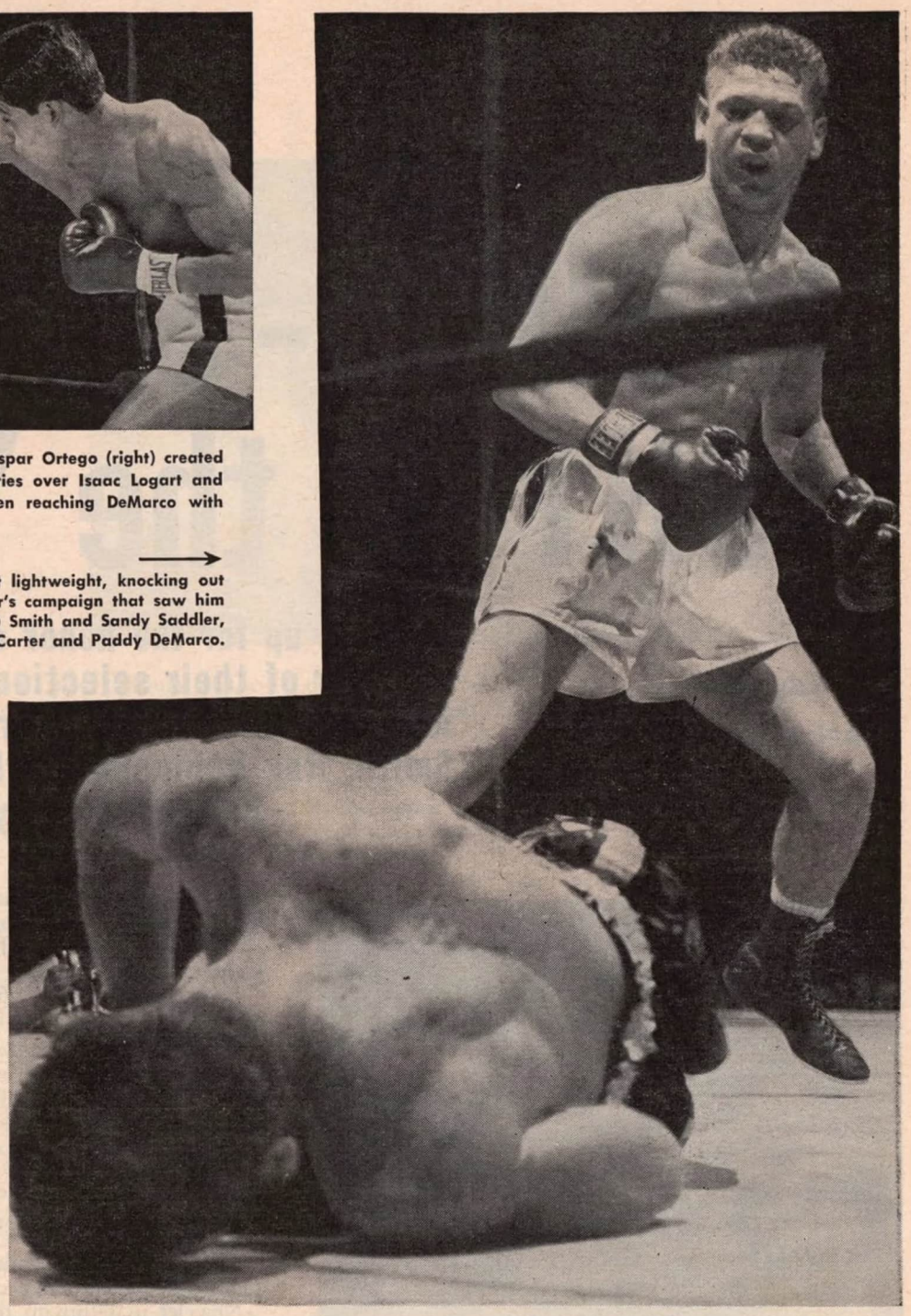
Stocky little Alphonse Halimi, the French-Algerian, who hit top brackets of bantam class by whipping Billy Peacock and Tanny Campo.

So far, our selections have been well vindicated by developments. Although now a fading veteran and no longer regarded as a serious contender for the heavyweight title, the 1953 winner, Nino Valdes, still is a capable workman and a dangerous opponent for any of the big 'uns. Pascual Perez, the 1954 choice, continues to boss the world's flyweights. The 1955 selection, Chuck Spieser, has solidified his rating as an outstanding challenger for the light-heavyweight laurels.

Eddie Machen, whose spectacular climb up heavyweight ladder earned him recognition as the fighter accomplishing the most significant progress in boxing in 1956.



Previously unrated welterworeight Gaspar Ortego (right) created sensation by successive upset victories over Isaac Logart and Tony DeMarco. Here Ortega is seen reaching DeMarco with right.



Larry Boardman, young Connecticut lightweight, knocking out Frankie Ryff during spectacular year's campaign that saw him whip two champions, Wallace (Bud) Smith and Sandy Saddler, and two former champions, Jimmy Carter and Paddy DeMarco.

Nominating candidates for the Most Progress award is a fairly simple matter. You merely check the top ratings for 1956 against those for 1955 and list the ringsters who, in twelve months, made notable advances from the ranks of the minor performers to recognition as contenders for the world championships of their respective divisions.

Having compiled the list, however, your headaches begin. You have a score or so of entries to consider. You take them individually, checking their records, the calibre of opposition, the importance of each bout and how impressively they handled themselves.

The process of elimination may not be too difficult in its early stages, but when you begin to close in on the final decision, with the choice resting among two or three or four fairly evenly-matched entries, the task becomes a mighty ticklish one.

A GOOD CROP OF CANDIDATES.

As in previous years, The Ring staff devoted considerable time and discussion to the problem before making its selection.

Among the candidates whose qualifications were given every consideration were flyweights Robert Pollazon of France and Frankie Jones of Scotland; bantamweights Alphonse Halimi of Algeria and German Ohm of Mexico; featherweights Miguel Berrios of Puerto Rico, Paul Jorgensen of Texas, Ricardo Moreno of Mexico and Bobby Neill of Scotland; lightweight Larry Boardman of Connecticut; welterweight Gaspar Ortega of Mexico; middleweights Ellsworth (Spider) Webb of Chicago and Herman (Rory) Calhoun of White Plains, N. Y.; light-heavyweights Tony Anthony of New York and Willi Besmanoff of Germany, and heavyweights Zora Folley of Arizona, Ingemar Johansson of Sweden and Eddie Machen of California.

You start with the flyweights, Pollazon and Jones. Both lads, unbeaten in professional competition, became national champions in 1956 and moved into the top brackets of the world's 112-pounders.

Adding five victories during the year to his previous list, Pollazon stretched his unbroken string of triumphs to nineteen, capping the streak by taking the French title from rugged Guy Schatt.

Continuing in the money ranks where he left a fine career in the amateurs, Jones became Scottish champion in his *seventh* pro start, outpointing another fine youngster, Dick Currie.

Halimi engineered a spectacular campaign in the bantam class. The chunky Algerian, who turned pro late in 1955 reached headline status in 1956 by slugging his way to

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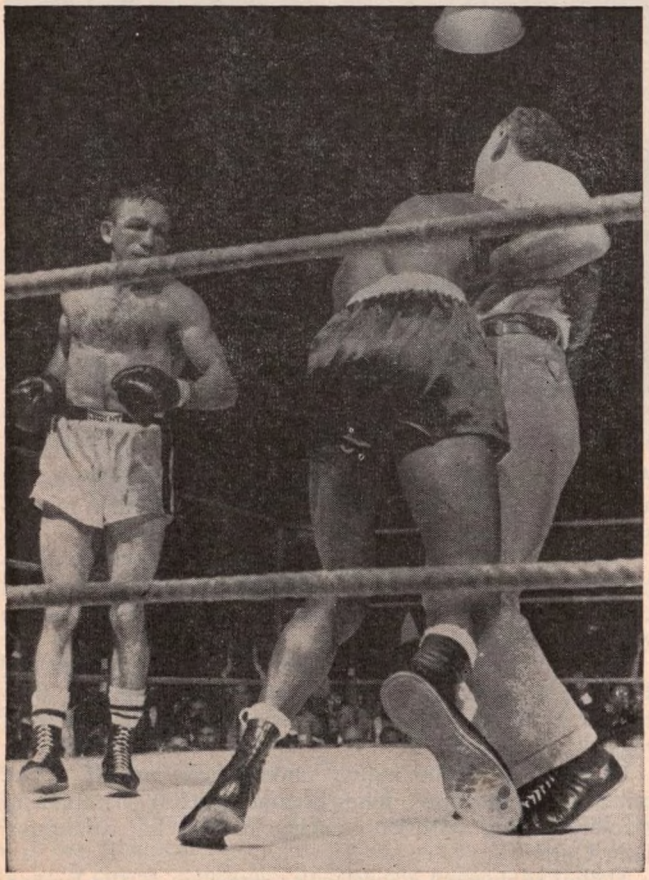
BASILIO - SAXTON FIGHT of the YEAR

Runners up for the honor of Fight of the Year in order of their selection: Floyd Patterson - Archie Moore, Larry Boardman - Wallace Bud Smith, Ray Robinson - Carl Bobo Olson, Gene Fullmer - Charley Humez.

By
DAN DANIEL



It's all over. Johnny Saxton being helped to his corner in the ninth round of welterweight championship bout at Syracuse, N. Y. Basilio regained his title as well as sharing "Fight of the Year" award with Saxton.

CERTAINLY the most important boxing contest of the year was the one which made Floyd Patterson the heavyweight champion of the world, and the Fighter of the Year.

However, Patterson's fifth round knockout of Archie Moore did not come in the most thrilling fight of 1956. That distinction must be reserved for the Syracuse battle in which Carmen Basilio, who had lost the welterweight title to Johnny Saxton on a questionable decision in Chicago, ripped Johnny from stem to stern and knocked him out in the ninth round.

Oddly enough, Basilio's revenge victory did not develop the Ring's Round of the Year. That top heat was the fourth and final of the Los Angeles battle in which Ray Robinson stopped Bobo Olson.

Thus we find the detailed honors of the year more thoroughly distributed than ever before.

Now let us return to the Fight of the Year. Showing before his home fans, Basilio had a double mission in that second engagement with Saxton. Carmen had to regain the title. He had to recover it with a display of fistic fireworks which would bear out his protest against the Chicago decision.

Basilio had to stop Saxton, and he had to do it as early as possible and as impressively as he could.

Carmen achieved his goals with lots to spare. He left no doubt that he was a true champion, and that he could have held his head high even in those bright years which are referred to by the Old Guard as the Good Old Days.

BASILIO'S DE MARCO FIGHT TOPS IN YEAR 1955

It is interesting and significant that Basilio has figured in the Fight of the Year for two straight years. In 1955, The Ring Magazine rated his second contest with Tony De Marco, in Boston on November 30, tops among the thrillers of the twelve-month.

Gene Fullmer-Charley Humez put on one of the most action plus contests of the year in Madison Square Garden. It was this fight that moved Fullmer into the spotlight and a chance at Ray Robinson's title.

Among the fights of 1956, second place belongs to the abbreviated affair in which Patterson stopped Moore in the Chicago Stadium in the fifth round.

The No. 3 spot has been awarded to the ten rounder in which Larry Boardman beat Wallace Bud Smith in Boston. Boardman hit the deck early, but came back to give Smith a decisive beating.

The No. 4 scrap was the one in which Ray Robinson stopped Olson.

Fifth ranking belongs to the fight which lifted Gene Fullmer into a match with Robinson for the middleweight championship. The man from Utah became top contender by whipping France's Charley Humez in their ten round brawl in New York's Garden.

They fought each other all over the ring and busted each other up even though nobody went down. It was the most blistering battle seen by New York fans in 1956.

Pressing the Fullmer-Humez fight for the No. 5 spot was the New York ten rounder in which Miguel Berrios suffered his one decision setback of the year, by Cherif Hamia, French featherweight.

Picking the round of the year always is a difficult and perilous adventure for the Ring Magazine's Selection Group.

The vote in favor of the fourth round of the Robinson-Olson thriller was close to a five to three margin. Robinson who had appeared to be fading, suddenly aroused himself and tore into Bobo with a ferocity and technique reminiscent of the Sugar Ray heyday.

BASILIO-SAXTON NINTH EARNS SECOND POSITION

The knockout ninth of the Basilo-Saxton fight in Syracuse was picked as the No. 2 session of the year.

No. 3 among the Rounds of the Year was the fourteenth in the fifteen round battle in which Joe Brown won the lightweight title from Wallace Bud Smith in New Orleans.

The fifth and last heat of the Patterson-Moore fight got no better than fourth rating in the Action Stakes.

The No. 5 round came in the European heavyweight championship contest in which Ingemar Johansson, of Sweden, upset Italy's Franco Cavicchi in his own back yard in Bologna. In the thirteenth round, Johansson, who had been getting a sound beating, landed his Sunday punch to the midriff and they counted Franco out, up to twenty.

The Bologna battle got precedence over the Joey Giardello-Bobby Boyd brawl, which produced a contending round in the fifth and final heat.

In the Syracuse classic between Basilio and Saxton, there was no time lost in feeling out and pussy footing. They knew each other down to every detail of their techniques. Basilio ripped Saxton's body and shook him up with three mean hooks in the first round, but Johnny rallied to shade the challenger in the second.

Basilio won the third with lefts to the head and got the fourth by a shade, opening a cut over Saxton's left eyebrow.

They went at it hammer and tongs and in the seventh, Johnny was bleeding from the mouth. Basilio sensed that he had Saxton where he wanted him and banged his ribs with a volley of left hooks in the eighth. Then came the end, in 1.31 of the ninth.

PATTERSON-MOORE SECOND BECAUSE OF ITS IMPORTANCE

Rating the Patterson-Moore fight strictly on its merits as a fistic demonstration, we are impelled to the conclusion that it was not really the second best scrap of the year. Moore was a 41-year-old hoax.

However, the fight was of ultra importance to world boxing. In addition, it was won by the under dog, by a 21 year old fighter whose adequacy for the job had been doubted by most of the professional cognoscenti.

The fourth round, the finale, of the Robinson-Olson imbroglio, was picked as the best of the year for its sudden impacts, for its dramatic quality, for its effectiveness in championship effort by a fighter who had held the title before, had retired, and had won it back.

There is no qustion that this fourth round made Robinson the Comeback of 1956. Here is how that heat went at Wrigley Field in Los Angeles on May 18;—

"Round Four;—Olson, who had got an even break in the third round, looked wary as this fourth got under way. Bobo belted a straight left to the jaw and then shot a hurting left hook to the stomach. Bobo was trying to make Robinson run out of gas. However, in the midst of the jubilation of the Olson fans, Ray floored Bobo with a deadly left hook to the jaw. As Referee Callahan counted, Olson, who had been lieing flat on his back, turned over on his stomach. He tried desperately to get up but it was no go. At the count of ten, with only nine seconds left of the round, Olson was sitting upright on the floor,

ROBINSON - OLSON

Here we see Sugar Ray knocking Bobo Olson out in the fourth round of their middleweight title bout at Los Angeles, Cal. Sugar's sweet left hook finished Bobo's chances of regaining his title.

ROUND of the YEAR

Basilio - Saxton 9th, Brown - Smith 14th, Patterson - Moore 5th, Johansson - Cavicchi 13th, Also Rate High as Round of the Year.

dazed and bewildered. The challenger had failed, dismally."

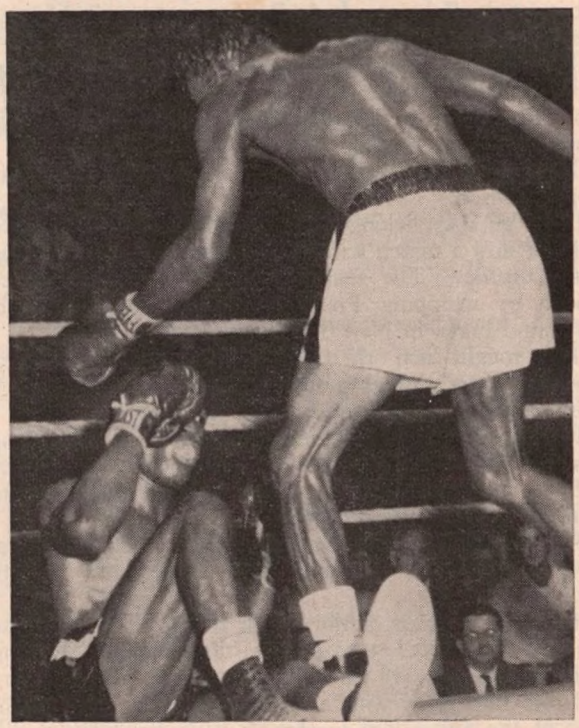
SAXTON FADING AS BASILIO RIPPED HIM

The ninth round of the Basilio-Saxton fight got under way with Johnny fading and wilting under Carmen's fiery pace. Here is how it went;—

"Ninth Round;—At the bell, Basilio tore into Saxton, who tottered from the impact of a left hook to the jaw. Basilio sensed the kill and rained rights and lefts to Johnny's unprotected jaw. Saxton's knees were sagging. He was about to collapse and might have been hurt badly had referee Berl not stepped in. He grabbed Saxton's limp body, waved Carmen aside and stopped the fight. Saxton had been knocked out only once before, by Tony De Marco, in the fourteenth round."

In contributing the third best Round of the Year in his victory over Smith, Brown clinched the lightweight title with this session;—

"Fourteenth Round;—For the first time since the tenth, Brown threw a hard right. He followed this up with an even better right to the jaw, which floored Smith. Wallace Bud was up at eight. A left, then a right, left Smith groggy and he was shoved to the canvas with a left. The count was six when the bell came to Smith's rescue."



A runner up for "Round of the Year" award was the 14th of the Wallace Bud Smith-Joe Brown fight at New Orleans. Here we see Brown dropping Smith in that torrid round to clinch the lightweight crown. The bell saved Smith.

HOW PATTERSON LANDED HIS HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE

Round Five in the Patterson-Moore fight merely completed a job Floyd had started in a serious way in the third round. He got Archibald into trouble then with a right to the stomach. Here is the story of the title winning session;—

"Fifth Round;—Moore answered the bell with his injured brow covered with grease. Patterson hurt Archie with a stinging right to the jaw. This brought a Moore flurry of crisp body punching. Moore's crouching style, which had been expected to baffle the 21-year-old Patterson failed to faze Floyd. Patterson belted Moore with lefts and rights. Floyd slipped to the floor but jumped up immediately. Then Patterson dropped his man with a left hook.

"Moore staggered to his feet at the count of nine. He was through. Patterson went swiftly to the kill, and with another left hook to the jaw dumped Archibald to the canvas, where Referee Frank Sikora counted him out."

The Fights of the Year, the Rounds of the Year, write into ring history bright pages of action and achievement, seen by millions of fans all over the nation with access to television receivers.

"It was a big year," say the experts." It was a thrilling year," say the viewers.

Big and great, and doubtless to be excelled in 1957.

BOXING DEATHS—1956

By
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STATISTICS compiled from the end of World War I show, despite the contrary feelings of many laymen, that boxing as a sport is safer than walking across Broadway, N. Y., or driving on one of the super highways.

Comparing the gloved sport to another body contact past-time, American football, the facts show that for a period of only two months, a study released by Dr. Eastman lists ten deaths directly attributable to football play on the field.

Boxing, a year 'round activity with thousands of participants in action every week has had but ten deaths logged over a twelve month period.

Of these, three were professional and seven amateurs.

The small number of pro deaths is due to the greater supervision and safety precautions taken in dealing with the professionals as compared with a good deal of hit and miss supervision connected with the simon pures.

The United States has a new low in fatalities occurring in the ring with but three deaths being recorded, two pros and one amateur. The remaining seven occurred in foreign countries. This is the lowest figure in over ten years. Boxing like highway accidents, auto racing, or football, with proper supervision sees cut down on mortality rates.

Although boxing necrology for 1956 listing of men who passed away as a result of ring activity does not record any top names. The dossier does include the names of many well known old time fighters, matchmakers, and others identified with the sport.

Harry "Lucky" Gordon, former boxer and later well known backstage figure passed on at 77. He is remembered for his fight with Tommy O'Boyle in San Francisco in 1905. The "Lucky" bantamweight was knocked down 31 times in the first 20 rounds only to come back and knockout O'Boyle in the 21st round.

Claimant to the world welterweight title, Harry (Besterman) Lewis, 69, died in Philadelphia. Lewis claimed welter title after kayoing Honey Mellody and Frank Mantell in 1908.

California Jackie Wilson, 36, who fought as a pro from 1937 for twelve years passed on in Cleveland. Wilson was the national amateur champ who went to the finals in the 1936 Olympics.

"The voice" for many years announcing contests at the Hollywood Legion and Olympic Stadiums in California, Dan Toby, died at Los Angeles.

Emile Chemama, won the French bantamweight title and then was killed in an auto accident twenty-four hours later. Louis Solinas, Chemama's manager, died three days later after injuries sustained in the same accident.

A.E.F. featherweight champion in 1919 Johnny Fundy, 62 entered the fighter's valhalla. Johnny Carr, Olympic welterweight champ in 1916 died in Cleveland.

Benny Yanger, the "Tipton Slasher", was 74 when he took the final count in Chicago. Yanger was one of the best of the featherweights and bantams. He reached his peak in 1902 with a 19 round kayo over Abe Attell.

Valhalla opened its gates to boxing referee Frankie Brown, who was born Frank Ferrando and changed his name when he boxed as a pro among the lightweights and welterweights in the 1920's. Another ring official, veteran Golden Gloves coach and Illinois boxing commission member John W. Behr., 62, passed on. Livingston E. Osborne, chairman of the Illinois Athletic Commission died at the age of 71 after serving as the chairman for three years.

Ismael Pace, leading Argentine boxing promoter, was killed in an auto accident. One of boxing's famous old-

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Here is a resume of fatalities professional and amateur, both in the United States and in foreign countries, for the past thirty-nine years, from 1918 through 1956.

1918—1 death—No pros—1 amateur. In the U. S.
1919—1 amateur death in the U. S.
1920—1 professional death in Europe.
1921—2 deaths in the professional ranks, one in Europe and one in U. S.
1922—3 deaths, all amateurs. 1 abroad and 2 in the U. S.
1923—1 professional died in Europe.
1924—1 professional died in Europe.
1925—6 deaths, all professionals, 3 in the U. S. and 3 abroad.
1926—4 professionals, all in the U. S.
1927—1 death—a professional in the U. S.
1928—4 deaths—all foreign—1 amateur and 3 pros.
1929—9 deaths—7 professionals, 2 amateurs. All foreign except 1 amateur in U. S.
1930—10 deaths, all in the U. S.—7 pros and 3 amateurs.
1931—3 deaths—all in the U. S., all professionals.
1933—6 deaths—all in the U. S.—1 amateur and 5 pros.
1934—2 deaths—1 foreign and 1 in the U. S.—both professionals.
1935—1 death in the U. S.—an amateur.
1936—6 deaths, all in the U. S.—5 pros and 1 amateur.
1937—2 deaths, both in the U. S.—both professionals.
1938—3 deaths, 2 in U. S. and 1 foreign—1 professional and 2 amateurs.
1939—1 death—a professional in the U. S.
1940—4 deaths—1 pro and 3 amateurs, 1 in the U. S. and 3 foreign.
1941—4 deaths—all pros—2 in the U. S. and 2 foreign.
1942—5 deaths—4 pros and 1 amateur—4 in the U. S. and 1 foreign.
1943—3 deaths—all pros—all in the U. S.
1944—2 deaths—both pros—both in the U. S.
1945—6 deaths—3 pros and 3 amateurs—all in the U. S.
1946—14 deaths—11 pros and 3 amateurs—11 in the U. S. and 3 foreign.
1947—10 deaths—5 pros and 5 amateurs—6 in the U. S. and 4 foreign.
1948—10 deaths—5 pros and 5 amateurs—4 in the U. S. and 6 abroad.
1949—19 deaths—12 pros and 7 amateurs—10 in the U. S. and 9 foreign.
1950—11 deaths—7 pros and 4 amateurs—4 in the U. S. and 7 foreign.
1951—12 deaths—3 pros and 9 amateurs—5 in the U. S. and 7 foreign.
1952—17 deaths—8 pros and 9 amateurs—4 in U. S. and 13 abroad.
1953—21 deaths—12 pros and 10 amateurs—8 in U. S. and 13 foreign.
1954—6 deaths—three amateurs and three pro—two foreign and four in U. S.
1955—9 deaths—8 pros and 1 amateur—3 in U. S. and 6 foreign.
1956—10 deaths—3 pros and 7 amateur—3 in U. S. and 7 foreign.

BOXING DEATHS IN 1956

January 26—At Detroit, Mich. Eddie Lee Walker, 24, Detroit heavyweight died of a Subdural Hemorrhage five days after he collapsed following a gym workout with ranking heavyweight Johnny Summerlin. (Professional)

January 29—At Philadelphia, Pa. Robert Perry, 20, of Philadelphia died of a brain injury suffered when he was kayoed by Rudy Watkins of Baltimore four days earlier. (Professional)

January 29—At Glasgow, Scotland. William Stayman, 19, died four days after he was knocked out in an amateur bout. (Amateur)

March 21—At Johannesburg, South Africa. Hubert Essakow, 21, of Johannesburg died of a brain hemorrhage two days after he was kayoed by Willie Toweel in 11 rounds. (Professional)

March 27—At Valparaiso, Chile. Alejo Tucares, 24, died 24 hours after he had won a three round decision over Eduardo Perez. Cause was a brain contusion. (Amateur)

April 30—At Sao Paulo, Brazil. Aurelino Fournier, 20, died of a brain concussion after being kayoed by Oswaldo Sciffert. (Amateur)

June 25—At Colombo, Ceylon. Raymond Perera, 22, died of a brain injury after being kayoed in an amateur bout. (Amateur)

July 25—At Valencia, Spain. Juan Perez Diaz, 18, died of head injuries suffered in an amateur bout. (Amateur)

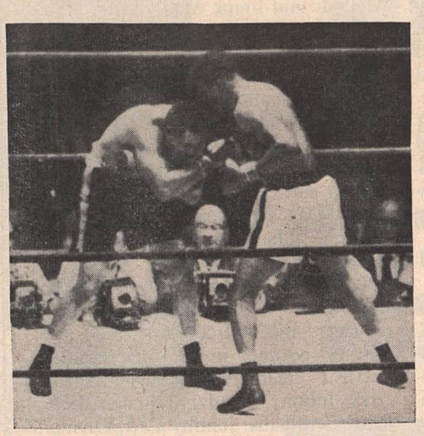
October 12—At Pueblo, Colorado. Clinton Thompson, 24, of Benton Harbor, Mich., a soldier stationed at Ft. Carson, Colo., died after being kayoed by a punch to the stomach delivered by Oris Tenorio in the second round of an amateur bout. (Amateur)

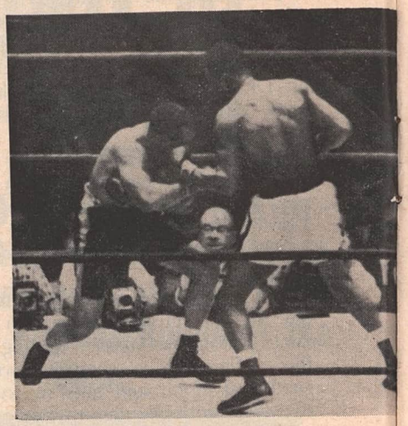
October 27—At Hartford, Conn. Leroy Branham, 22, of New York City, died of head injuries suffered in a gym workout with professional Oliver Wilson. (Amateur)

How

Experts had scoffed

(Above) Archie Moore wasn't his gay and effervescent self at the weigh-in while Floyd Patterson (right) exuded a quiet confidence. Between them is Peter Miller, of the Illinois Commission; at left, Art Winch, of the Commission; in background, Jim Norris, promoter.





By NAT LOUBET

IN knocking out Archie Moore in the fifth round in Chicago Stadium, Floyd Patterson performed quite a few benefices.

He set up a new heavyweight champion of the world and let all boxing on to bigger things for 1957.

Then again, Patterson did big things for himself and his family. The one time problem boy of the tough Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn had lifted his family out financial doubt into prosperity.

Patterson, at twenty-one, in his 32nd professional outing, achieved what no other heavyweight in the history of boxing had been able to accomplish. He stacked 182¼ pounds of speed and agility against the 157 professional fights and exeprience that the vaunted Moore, with a five pounds weight advantage, mustered and made boxing history.

The twentieth heavyweight since John L. Sullivan, Patterson approached the fight an underdog, 9 to 5. Some 24 hours before ringtime the odds were 6 to 5, pick 'em, due to a rush of Patterson money, but by gong, Moore was the solid favorite.

The result obviously was an upset. But then, 1956 was a year for the underdogs. Taking the fights televisoned on a national hook-up more underdogs than favorites were winners.

As hundreds of representatives of the world's leading newspapers, periodicals, radio and television looked on the drama of age versus youth unfolded.

At the opening bell Patterson moved in fast on Moore and landed the first blows of the fight. Moore retaliated with a left and right to the head that lacked authority and then the fight went to close quarters with Patterson proving that he was as adept at in-fighting as was his more exeprienced opponent.

Many of the experts had believed that the heavier punching of Moore plus his experience and acknowledged craftiness in close fighting would be the deciding factors

These experts were partially correct but the harder punching and better infighting was accomplished by Patterson.

NO MATTER HOW HE DID IT, MOORE WAS BEATEN

Having failed to make any impression by fighting in close Moore moved to long range in the second round, only to be beaten to the punch. This caused Moore to move in close again in order to attempt to force Floyd to cover up. The Brooklyn speedster had outscored and outpunched Moore.

Patterson came back with a flurry of rights and lefts which pinned Moore to the ropes and left little doubt as to who had taken charge.

Moore lacked the fire and miracle-like springness in his step that never had deserted him. Now it seemed that age was taking its toll. More than that, age and a superior fighter by the name of Patterson.

The third round was Moore's best. He took charge at the opening bell and pushed Patterson. His best blow was a hard left to Floyd's stomach that seemed to slow up the Brooklynite. But Moore lacked the speed to follow up his advantage and before he mustered sufficient drive to move in on top of Patterson, the latter had regained his composure and was attacking with two-handed combinations that drove Moore back to the ropes.

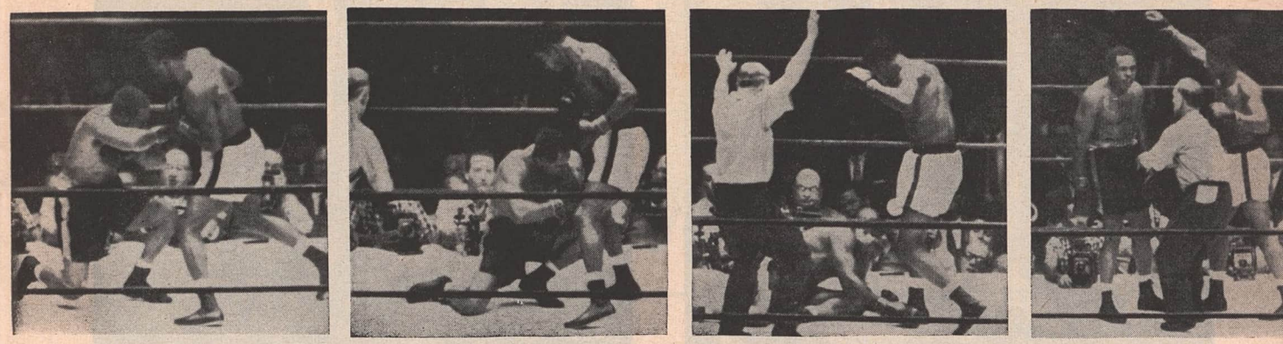
During that round both had gashes opened over their left eyes, with Moore bleeding from his nose, as well. At the closing bell both were smeared with their common blood with Moore's grey hair presenting an erie sight with its red highlights.

In the minute between rounds, red dyed sponges washed away the evidence of battle.

In the opening seconds of the fourth round Archie desperately stalked Patterson, looking for that one big opening. He wasted little in the way of side attractions

Patterson Did It

at "sending a boy on a man's errand."



All That's Left. Sequence (left to right) shows the final blow that downed Archie Moore, a left to the jaw, and brought Floyd Patterson the world heavyweight championship as Referee Frank Sikora signals the end of the fight.

as he seemed bent on overwhelming Floyd and getting across the finisher.

STILL EARLY IN THE FIGHT, BUT MOORE WAS TIRED

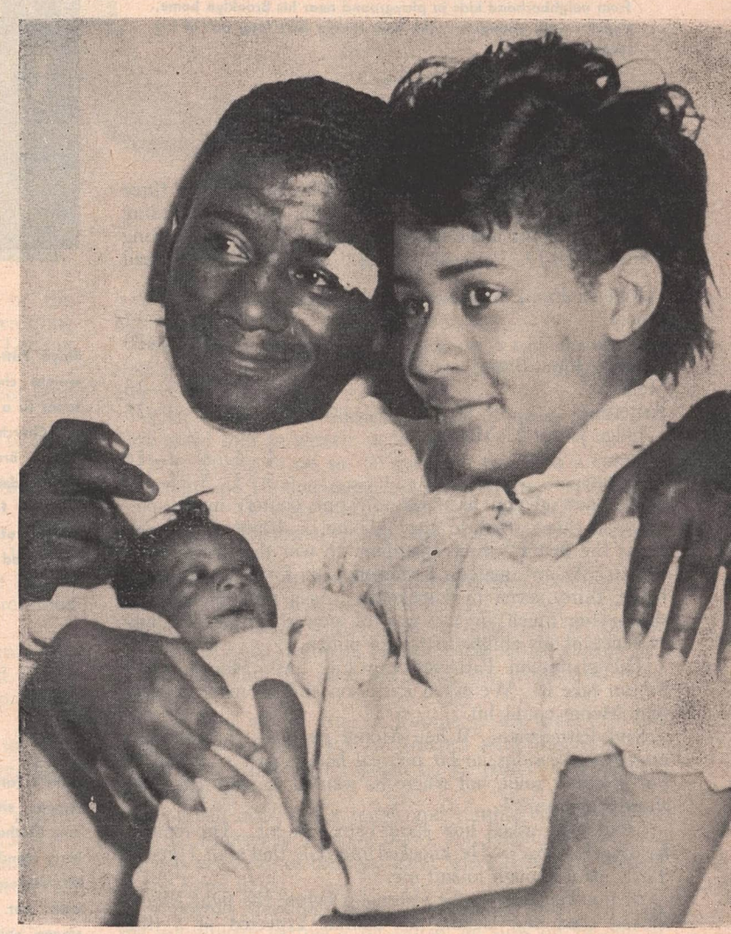
Archie attacked with dart-like accuracy with a stream of left jabs, interspersed with occasional rights to the head that were meant to slow up the fast moving Patterson. Although Moore gained the advantage in points he wasted his strength and as the closing seconds of the round passed they tossed blows toe to toe. Moore looked tired.

It was a rallying Moore who answered the bell for the fateful fifth round. He moved in close, pounding lefts and rights to Patterson's midsection. Floyd started to swing a counter and threw himself off balance and landed on his knees only to bounce off the deck before a count could be made.

Moore again started toward Patterson, who jabbed twice with his left. Archie jabbed with his own left and moved sideways as he cocked his right prematory to letting it go. As he started the punch Patterson stepped in fast with a left hook that travelled no more than ten inches.

Moore's eyes went glassy and he hit the canvas while referee Frank Sikora took up the count. For all practicable purposes at this point Patterson already was the new heavyweight champion of the world.

The old man groveled on the canvas and barely managed to squeeze himself to his feet. It is doubtful if he would have remained upright without the pushing right delivered by Patterson as a parting gesture. Down went Moore and with that final blow of the fight went Moore's hopes of ever becoming the heavyweight champion.



The Crowning Touch. Floyd Patterson visits with his wife, Sandra, and daughter, Seneca Elizabeth, the day after scoring five round knockout to gain heavyweight championship vacated by Rocky Marciano.

In the Swing of Things. Floyd Patterson gets a helping hand from neighborhood kids in playground near his Brooklyn home. Popular with youngsters, the new champ isn't long out of his teens himself.

Floyd Patterson, heavyweight champion, puts taper to a vigil light at the Church of the Holy Rosary, Brooklyn, where he attended Mass on the Sunday following his winning of the crown on five round kayo.

Floyd's father, Ray Patterson, sister Deanna, and brothers Alvin and Larry stand outside their Mt. Vernon, N. Y., home with pet. There are eleven children in the Patterson family.

PATTERSON IN LEAD WHEN HE ENDED THE FIGHT

Up to the time of the knockout The Ring had it three rounds for Patterson and one even, the third. According to the five point must system used in Chicago, The Ring scored it 20-17, Patterson ahead. The official cards read

Referee Frank Sikora:				
Moore	4	4	4	5—17
Patterson	5	5	5	5—20
Judge John Bray:				
Moore	4	4	5	5—18
Patterson	5	5	4	4—18
Judge James McManus:				
Moore	4	4	4	4—16
Patterson	5	5	5	5—20

The new champ has lost only one contest in his professional career, that to Joey Maxim, a disputed decision. He is the first Olympic champion to win the heavyweight crown. As an amateur Patterson won forty of forty-four fights, thirty seven by knockouts. As a pro, he had not shown too much in the way of power hitting nor any evidence of his ability to take a punch.

The champion Patterson can hit. Ask Moore. And he can take it. We asked Patterson and he made it clear that Moore could hit.

Said Patterson: *"When Moore just jabs it hurts and on a few occasions he hit me real hard man . . . real hard but it wasn't solid, not where he wanted to land 'em. But those blows hurt."*

Moore was asked how hard Patterson hit. He replied, holding his jaw: *"He knocked me out, that's all I know. That's hard enough to suit me."*

At the weighing in the afternoon before the fight Moore looked tired and lacking the sparkle expected of a title contender. Patterson, on the other hand, was poised

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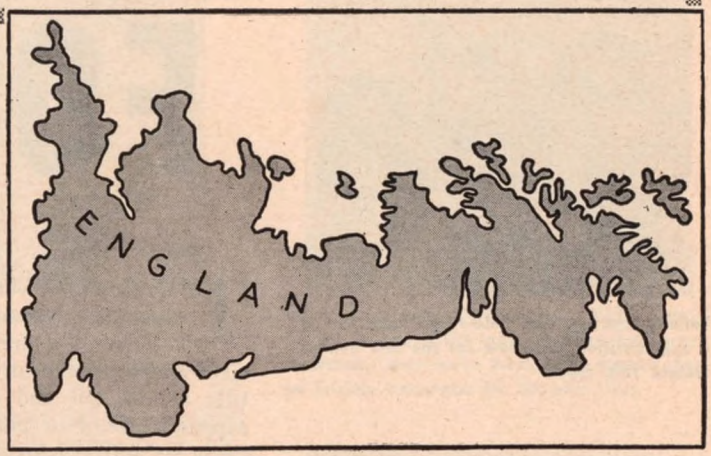
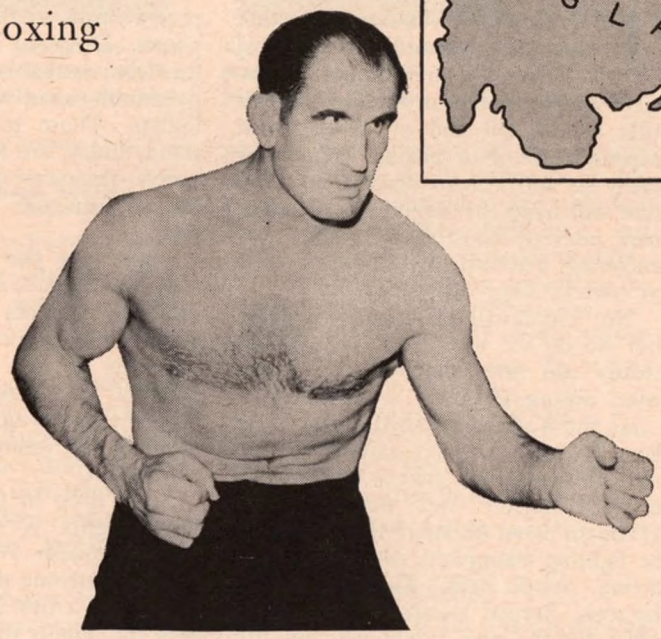
Casey's Potential Champs

By ALAN BESTIC

Ireland May Put New Life Into Boxing





Steve Casey, Ireland's wrestling champ, shocked by condition of boxing in Britain is training Irish hopefuls whom he believes will gain world wide recognition.

LONDON, England, (Special Correspondence of the Ring Magazine)—Steve Casey, former wrestling champion from Kerry, Ireland, swept into London from America with a three-pronged plan.

Prong number one: To have a holiday. He has not been in Europe for 10 years.

Prong number two: To cast an eye over a couple of businesses he has in Dublin and London.

Prong number three: To find a boxer who can beat the world.

Steve, who just before the war defended his heavyweight title 164 times, was shocked by the state of British boxing.

So he went home to his native Kerry, let it be known that he was seeking raw material for the ring, and returned to London with half a dozen likely lads.

He picked a few more recruits from the Irish dance hall his brother, Pat, runs in London's Elephant and Castle area. And already he feels he has a couple of potential champions.

Says Steve: *"Not one of my lads had had a glove on until I found them—and that is the way I like to have them. They have no mistakes to un-learn."*

They are training in brother Pat's gym, which adjoins the dance hall, under the supervision of three Caseys—Steve, Mick, who is heavyweight champion of Ireland, and Pat who was a useful cruiser-weight wrestler until he injured his spine.

The ten trainees, all under 22, were picked by the Caseys from dozens of applicants.

Pick of the bunch so far is middle-weight Pat Murphy from Kerry. He is only 20—and, according to the brothers, has a big future.

None of the scrappers will appear in a ring for at least nine months. Steve is determined to build them up gradually.

What about Steve himself? Several London promotors have asked him to wrestle in Britain.

He is willing to do so, IF they can find him a suitable opponent and IF they book him the Harringay arena.

Casey is 43 years old. *"But I'm still fit,"* he said. "I fought in Boston a year ago and never have any weight worries.

"I still tip the scales at 216 pounds—and that has been my weight since I was 20."

Not even a tangle with a truck just before he left Boston worries this huge Irishman. *"I didn't feel too good after it,"* he admits, *"but the poor old truck was written off completely."*

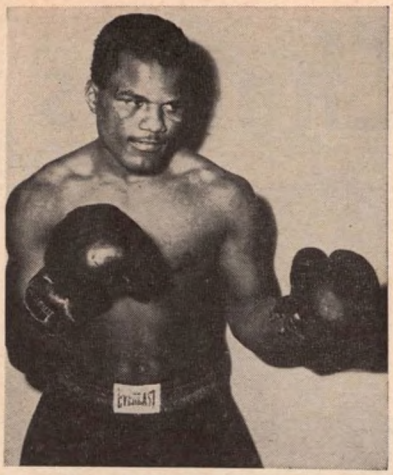
With him on his trip to Europe is his nine year old daughter, Margaret. Back to America with him in a few weeks time will go Pat's daughter, 12 year old Bernadette and Casey, senior, 80.

He is 80, once had a rough and tumble with the great John L. Sullivan in a saloon brawl, and taught his five sons the first mysteries of the fight game when they were nippers in the Kerry fields.

In Boston Steve has three night clubs. When he finds the atmosphere getting a bit sultry, he slips off to one of his two 2,000 acre farms—one in Cohasset, Massachusetts and the other in Maine.

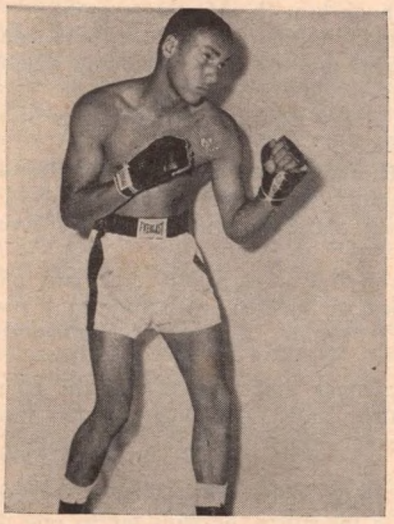
PREVIEW FOR 1957

By JOHNNY SALAK



Tommy Jackson, who held Floyd Patterson to a split decision, is in line for the first heavyweight title crack.

Zora Folley, Chandler, Ariz., heavyweight, is one of the many new faces in the division who matured last year.



Tony Anthony, New York light heavy, along with Chuck Spieser, ranks as the strongest threat to Archie Moore's title.

THE victory of youth over age and experience, exemplified in Floyd Patterson's demolishment of Ancient Archie Moore for the heavyweight title at the tail end of 1956, which capped a trend in boxing, could very easily set off a chain reaction in 1957 that will hypo the lagging sport, create new interest, boost gate receipts and encourage a return to the fold of some promoters, large and small.

No sensational gains are predicted but we do see boxing making a slow, steady and sure comeback, box-office-wise, during 1957.

As the heavyweight division goes, so goes boxing. A clever statement but, unfortunately, not always true. However, Patterson and manager Cus D'Amato have declared themselves to be fighting champions which, put into action, should help. That remains to be seen. Several lucrative bouts are in order for the new titleholder and the possibility looms large that he will not sit back on his laurels but place his fortune in his good left hook and with the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

Again, in the background remains the possibility that Rocky Marciano may stir himself out of retirement to challenge Patterson, with promoters giving him a million reasons why he should come back. The temptation will be great, but should he resist it would be Marciano's most important victory.

To be heard from in 1957 are a host of new faces in this division who matured in 1956, any one of whom could work his way to a title shot. Numbered among them are Eddie Machen, Harold Carter, Willie Pastrano, Pat McMurtry and Zora Folley. It has been a long while since the heavyweight division has been so rich in young material, already proven, with a capable line of veterans blocking the path for others who might come to the fore.

But before the new champion tackles any and all of these he will put the crown on the line against Tommy Jackson, who held him to a split decision in a twelve rounder last summer. While the bout should settle some fistic questions, it certainly doesn't appear to pack any tremendous drawing power. D'Amato has evinced a desire for defenses that will give them in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million dollars. Those touches, as the game stands today, are few and far between, unless stronger, more inspiring challengers can be found, not found wanting.

Right now the heavyweight market is on the upgrade and a youngster who shows promise has a strong line of able veterans to contend with. Victories over any of this latter group, which includes Bob Baker, Bob Satterfield, Johnny Holman and Nino Valdes, could catapult the young man into serious contention.

More deep in talent than even the heavyweights is the loaded middleweight division. With one or two exceptions, anyone of the first ten could be seen in a title bout and come away with the honors without too much eyebrow raising. The division, and how it goes for the year, depends on the result of the Ray Robinson-Gene Fullmer title bout, scheduled for January 2. Should reluctant Ray win no doubt he will put the crown in cold storage, trading on the title and putting it on the line only if the terms are extremely "right."

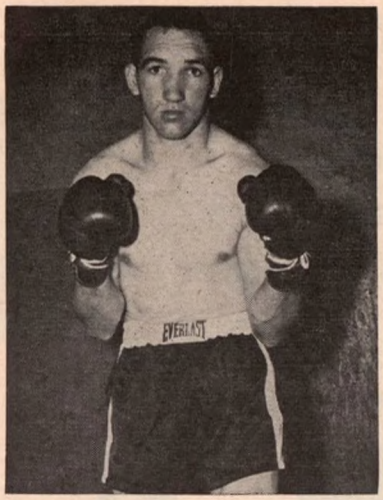
With Fullmer in favor the title is more apt to be up for grabs at the drop of a contract, which should stir up the division considerably and make for a slam-bang, action-packed year.

These two divisions should set the pace for 1957 and will undoubtedly rouse the remainder of the corps out of their lethargic state and into more energetic action.

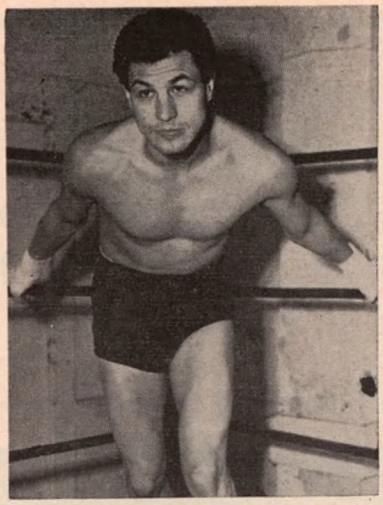
HEAVY ACTION HERE

Some outstanding heavyweight bouts which may be made, with the probable city and gross, are:

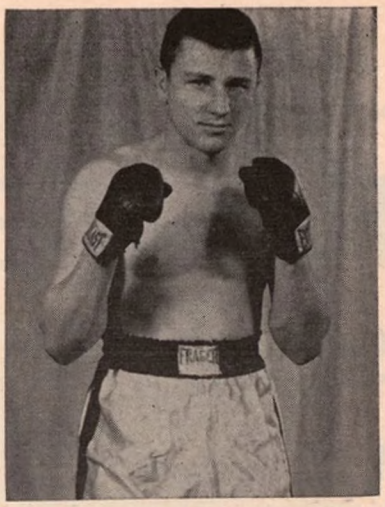
Floyd Patterson vs. Rocky Marciano, New York ($1,000,000), for title.
Floyd Patterson vs. Tommy Jackson, New York ($225,000), for title.
Floyd Patterson vs. Eddie Machen, San Francisco ($400,000), for title.
Floyd Patterson vs. Willie Pastrano, Miami ($300,000), for title.
Eddie Machen vs. Tommy Jackson, New York ($35,000).
Eddie Machen vs. Harold Carter, New York ($30,000).



Many possible attractive pairings are listed for Gene Fullmer, Utah middleweight, whether or not he defeats Ray Robinson in title bout.



Art Aragon, the Golden Boy of the West, can draw big money with almost anyone. Title bout with Basilio might break division record.



Kenny Lane (above), Muskegon, Mich., lightweight, is one of the top contenders but Larry Boardman may make most noise despite loss to Zulueta and take Joe Brown's title.

Harold Carter vs. Tommy Jackson, New York ($40,000).
Eddie Machen vs. Willie Pastrano, San Francisco ($50,000) or New Orleans ($70,000).
Eddie Machen vs. Pat McMurtry, Tacoma ($100,000).
Pat McMurtry vs. Willie Pastrano, Tacoma ($70,000).
Zora Folley vs. Eddie Machen, Phoenix ($50,000).
Zora Folley vs. Pat McMurtry, Tacoma ($40,000).

LIGHT HEAVIES LAG

Archie Moore's two unsuccessful bids for the heavyweight title, against Rocky Marciano and Floyd Patterson, should convince him to concentrate on his 175lb. crown, though that tenure may be shortlived now. After twenty years of professional fighting, Archibald appears to have had it.

Light heavyweight bouts of interest (and there are not too many) which may take place during the year:

Archie Moore vs. Chuck Spieser, New York ($65,000) or Detroit ($80,000), for title.
Chuck Spieser vs. Tony Anthony, New York ($30,000) or Detroit ($35,000).
Randy Turpin vs. Gerhard Hecht, Berlin ($40,000).
Hans Stretz vs. Gerhard Hecht, Berlin ($30,000).

THE LONG DIVISION

Basing possibilities for the middleweight division on the premise that Gene Fullmer will take Ray Robinson on January 2 in their title bout, many interesting combinations come up, paramount among them being an outdoor fight between Carmen Basilio, welterweight champion, and Fullmer for the latter's title.

Some possible pairings for this division are:

Gene Fullmer vs. Carmen Basilio, New York ($300,000), for title.
Gene Fullmer vs. Charley Humez, New York ($200,000), for title.
Gene Fullmer vs. Rory Calhoun, New York ($90,000), for title.
Gene Fullmer vs. Spider Webb, Chicago ($65,000), for title.
Gene Fullmer vs. Joey Giardello, New York ($100,000), for title.
Joey Giardello vs. Rory Calhoun, New York ($60,000) or Chicago ($50,000).
Rory Calhoun vs. Spider Webb, New York ($35,000) or Chicago ($25,000).
Joey Giardello vs. Spider Webb, Chicago ($25,000).
Neal Rivers vs. Rory Calhoun, Las Vegas ($40,000).

BUSY CARMEN

While a number of good matches propose themselves in the welterweight ranks, Carmen Basilio seems to be too strong for his contenders and only one title match presents itself as a real money maker. The stronger possibilities for attractive fights appear to be among the contenders themselves.

Carmen Basilio vs. Johnny Saxton, Chicago ($80,000), for title.
Carmen Basilio vs. Art Aragon, Los Angeles ($300,000), for title.
Carmen Basilio vs. Gaspar Ortega, New York ($75,000) or Boston ($75,000), for title.
Art Aragon vs. Gaspar Ortega, Los Angeles ($100,000).
Art Aragon vs. Isaac Logart, Los Angeles ($90,000).
Art Aragon vs. Tony DeMarco, Los Angeles ($150,000).
Gaspar Ortega vs. Isaac Logart, New York ($30,000).

STRICTLY LIGHTWEIGHTS

The lightweights are a fast declining division whose top men are plain and not too fancy, with seemingly little hope.

The best possibilities in a poor lot are:
Joe Brown vs. Duilio Loi, Rome ($90,000) or New Orleans ($60,000), for title.
Joe Brown vs. Larry Boardman, New Orleans ($70,000) or Boston ($80,000), for title.
Joe Brown vs. Kenny Lane, New Orleans ($50,000), for title.
Larry Boardman vs. Kenny Lane, Boston ($40,000) or New York ($35,000).
Ralph Dupas vs. Larry Boardman, New Orleans ($45,000).
Cisco Andrade vs. Larry Boardman, Los Angeles ($50,000) or Boston ($45,000).

SADDLED AND WAITING

The featherweights could create quite a lot of interest, especially if Sandy Saddler decides to place his title on the line.

Hot matches are:

Sandy Saddler vs. Cherif Hamia, Paris ($125,000) or New York ($80,000), for title.
Sandy Saddler vs. Miguel Berrios, New York ($70,000), for title.
Miguel Berrios vs. Cherif Hamia, Paris ($65,000) or New York ($35,000).
Miguel Berrios vs. Paul Jorgensen, Houston ($50,000) or New York ($25,000).
Ciro Morasen vs. Ricardo Moreno, Havana ($30,000) or Mexico City ($35,000).
Ricardo Moreno vs. Flash Elorde, Mexico City ($30,000).
Cherif Hamia vs. Flash Elorde, Paris ($30,000).

QUALITY, NOT QUANTITY

The bantamweights, practically nonexistent in America, could present sev-

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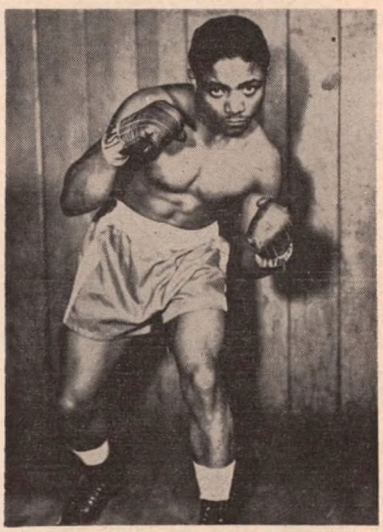
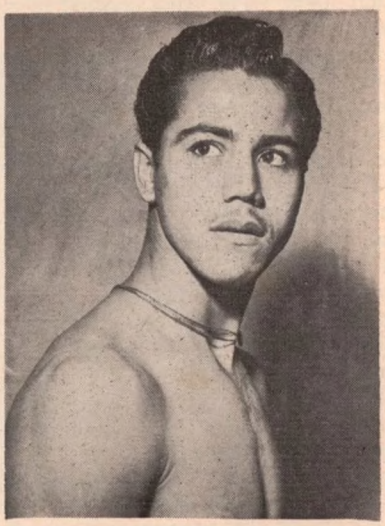


Miguel Berrios, Puerto Rican featherweight, can make strongest bid for Sandy Saddler's crown, but a rematch with his conqueror, Cherif Hamia, is in order.



Raton Macias, hard-hitting Mexican bantamweight, has a date with champ Mario D'Agata and could take all the marbles.

Nat FLEISCHER says:

Olympic Boxing Tournament Produced Stars in Rademacher, U. S., Papp, Hungary, and British McTaggart

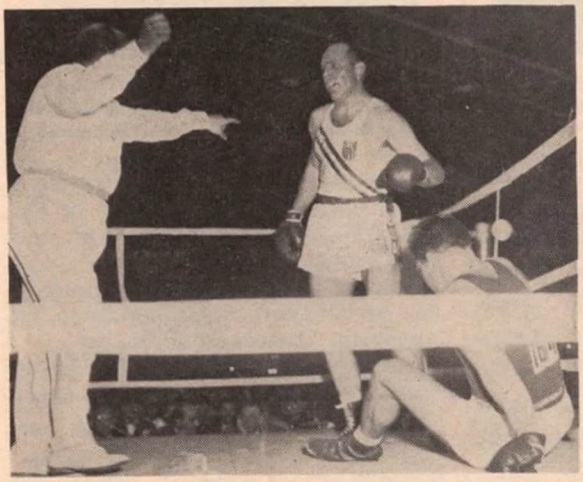
MELBOURNE, Australia:—America didn't win the Olympic boxing tournament, as had been expected. But it did carry off the honors for possessing the greatest amateur sluggers in the world. Balding Lieutenant Peter T. Rademacher of Fort Benning, annihilated Lev Moukhine, of Russia, in the heavyweight ranks. James Felton Boyd, another Fort Benning soldier, slugged his way to victory over Gheorghe Negrea, of Rumania in the light heavyweight division.

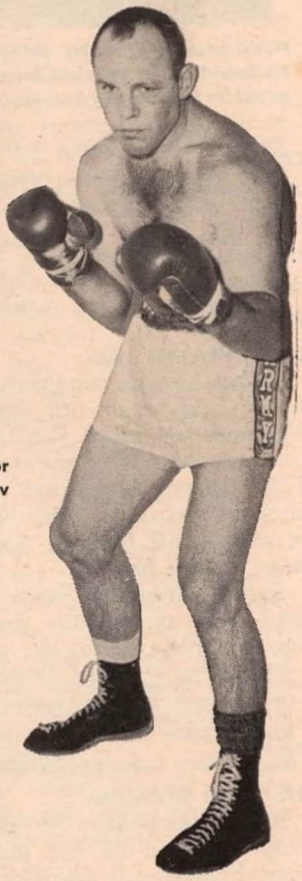
In a sustained burst of savage hitting the likes of which none of the old timers could remember ever before having seen in Olympic competition, the U. S. heavyweight battered his 200 pound Russ rival into submission in 1.57 of the opening round after flooring him twice and having him helpless against the ropes.

The 28-year-old American threw vicious lefts and rights from the opening gong, spread-eagled the Russian with a perfect left to the jaw, slammed his powerful fists to body and head when the count of eight was completed, pounded a T. N. T. wallop to the Russian's jaw as he leaned against the ropes to regain his balance and deposited him on the canvas again with a left hook. The Russ crashed to the floor with a thud.

The referee started to count the compulsory eight. But reached only two. So far gone was the Russian, who had been heavily favored, that the official raised Rademacher's hand and the greatest victory for the Americans was assured. So popular was that triumph that the cheering lasted for ten minutes. The American previously kayoed Josef Nemec of Czecho-Slovakia and halted Dan Bekkar of South Africa: Moukhine also had three knockouts.

Rademacher, who had developed a clot in his right bicep following the tryouts in San Francisco, had been cautioned by the Olympic doctor not to compete. But after a few days of training, he decided the ailment was not sufficient to keep him out of the tournament.





Right, Lieut. Tom P. Rademacher, U.S.A., as he looks ready for battle. Above, Rademacher is seen knocking down Russia's Lev Moukhine in the first round. The contest was halted.

Terrence Spinks, Great Britain, lands a left and France's R. Libeer is well on way to losing semi-final flyweight contest at Melbourne Olympic. Spinks went on to defeat Rumania's Dobresque in the finals.

The Australian team, seen posing for Editor Fleischer at the Heidelberg Village. The Aussies didn't win a title although they had been expected to make a good showing with Wm. Batchelor, Bob Bath, Kevin Hilgarth and Anthony Madigan.

Necolae Linca, Rumanian, who won a gold medal, champion of the welterweights, when he defeated Ireland's Fred Tiedt.

Asked whether he had any intention of turning professional, Rademacher declared, "I am too old for that". He also explained that this would be his last fight as an amateur in the Army, due to orders that no officer, after the Olympic Games will be permitted to compete but could be assigned as a coach. That's what Rademacher hopes to do.

TWO YANKEE TITLE PROSPECTS RULED OUT FOR OVERWEIGHT

The Americans didn't do so badly considering that two of their outstanding men, Choken Maewaka of Hawaii, bantamweight, and Harry Floyd Smith, of New York, featherweight, were ruled out before the tournament got under way. They were overweight on the morning of the first trials. Their loss, from what I saw in the rounds before the semi-finals, definitely cost the USA two medals. Our coaches should have been more on guard to prevent such an occurrence.

Russia, with three gold medals in the finals, was the most successful nation. Featherweight Vladimir Safronov, light welterweight Vladimir Enguibarian, and middleweight Guenadii Chatkov were the Russians who came out on top. They are all good fighters. None displayed ring science, but are hard hitters.

Great Britain and the United States each took two gold medals, but the British topped U. S. with a silver and two bronze medals. The United States had to wait until the last two events to gain its victories.

The three-time medalist, Laszlo Papp, Hungary, in the light middleweight class, and Necolae Linca, Rumania, were the other gold medal victors. Linca won a much disputed decision over sturdy, two-fisted, aggressive, Fred Tiedt of Ireland.

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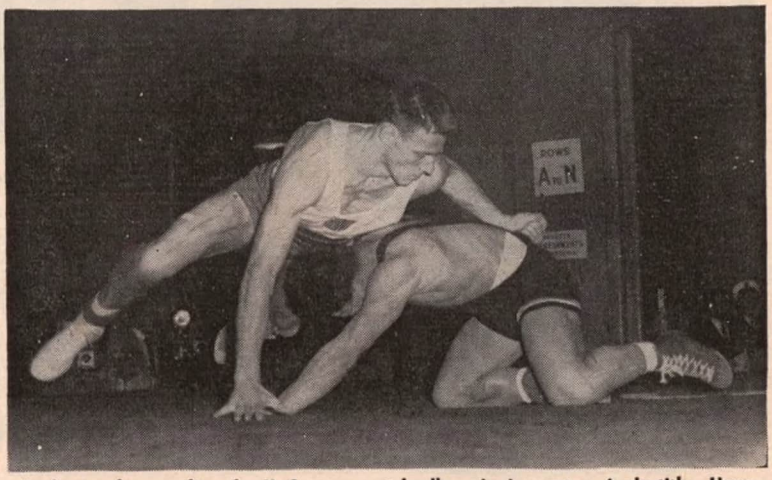
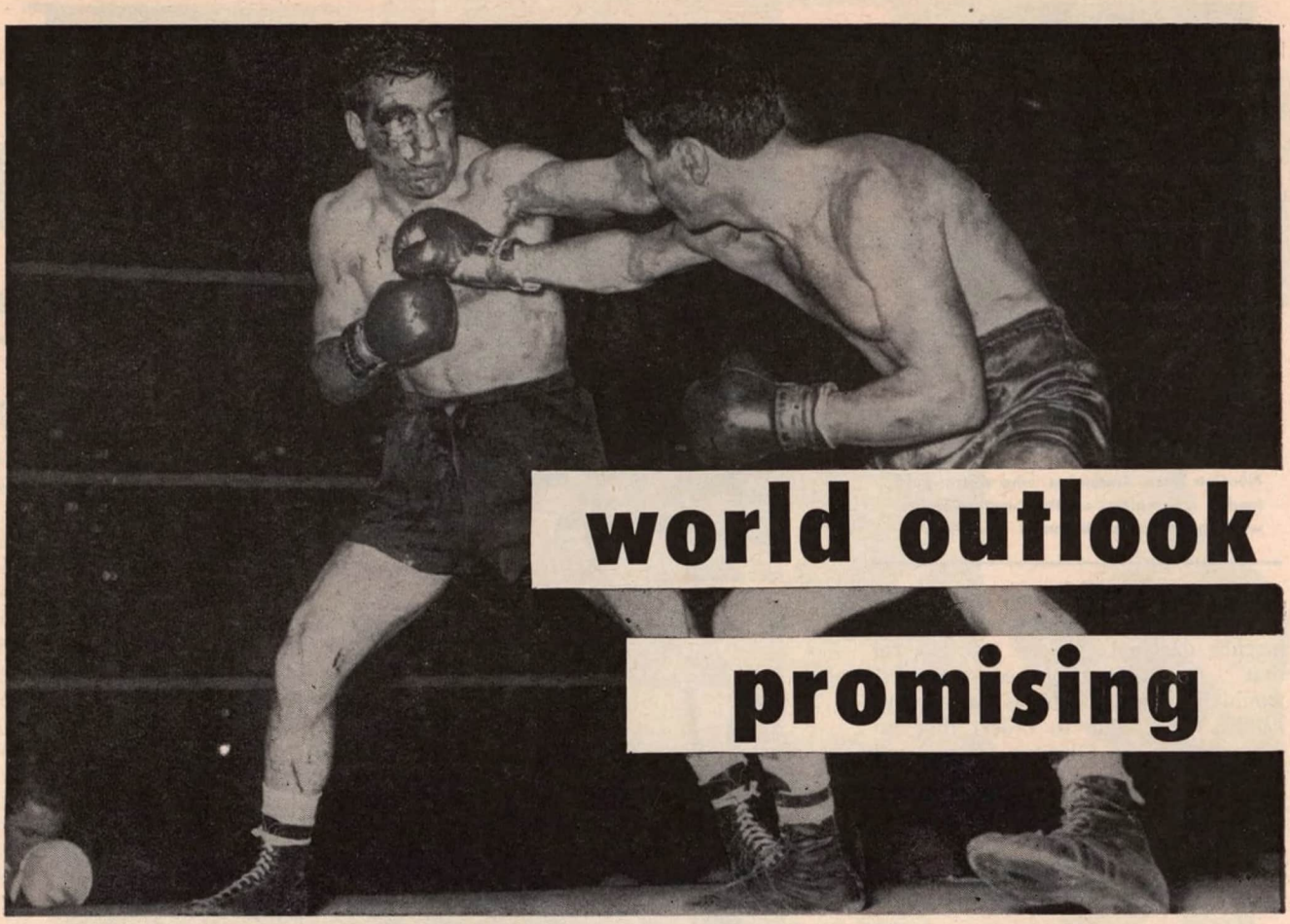
Above top: Nat Fleischer, boxing's number one champion, talks to youth of Fiji Islands. Seated left is Governor General Scott and Lady Ragg. Above: Mr. Fleischer leaving the scene of the Olympics at Melbourne. This was the entrance to the Heidelberg Village where the athletes lived.

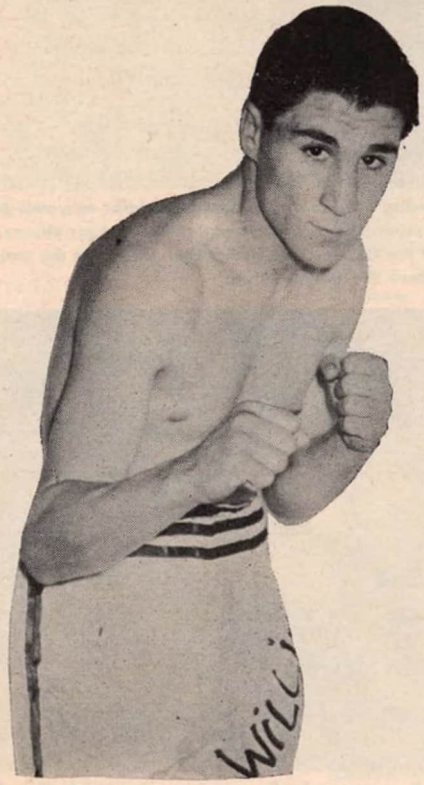


In free style wrestling the U. S. came out badly, winning not a single title. Here we see William Fischer, U. S. A., momentarily gaining the advantage over his Japanese opponent Mistro Ikeda. Ikeda reversed positions to win the match and go on to win the welterweight gold medal.



world outlook promising

Busiest of European champions, lightweight Duilio Loi (left) fought thirteen times in 1956, but his toughest battle, pictured here, was with dangerous Spanish southpaw, Jose Hernandez, who held him to draw.



Youngest of prolific Toweel clan, Willie grew from bantam to lightweight during year and won British Empire title.

By JERSEY JONES

THE one encouraging feature of the 1956 international boxing scene was the promising outlook for 1957.

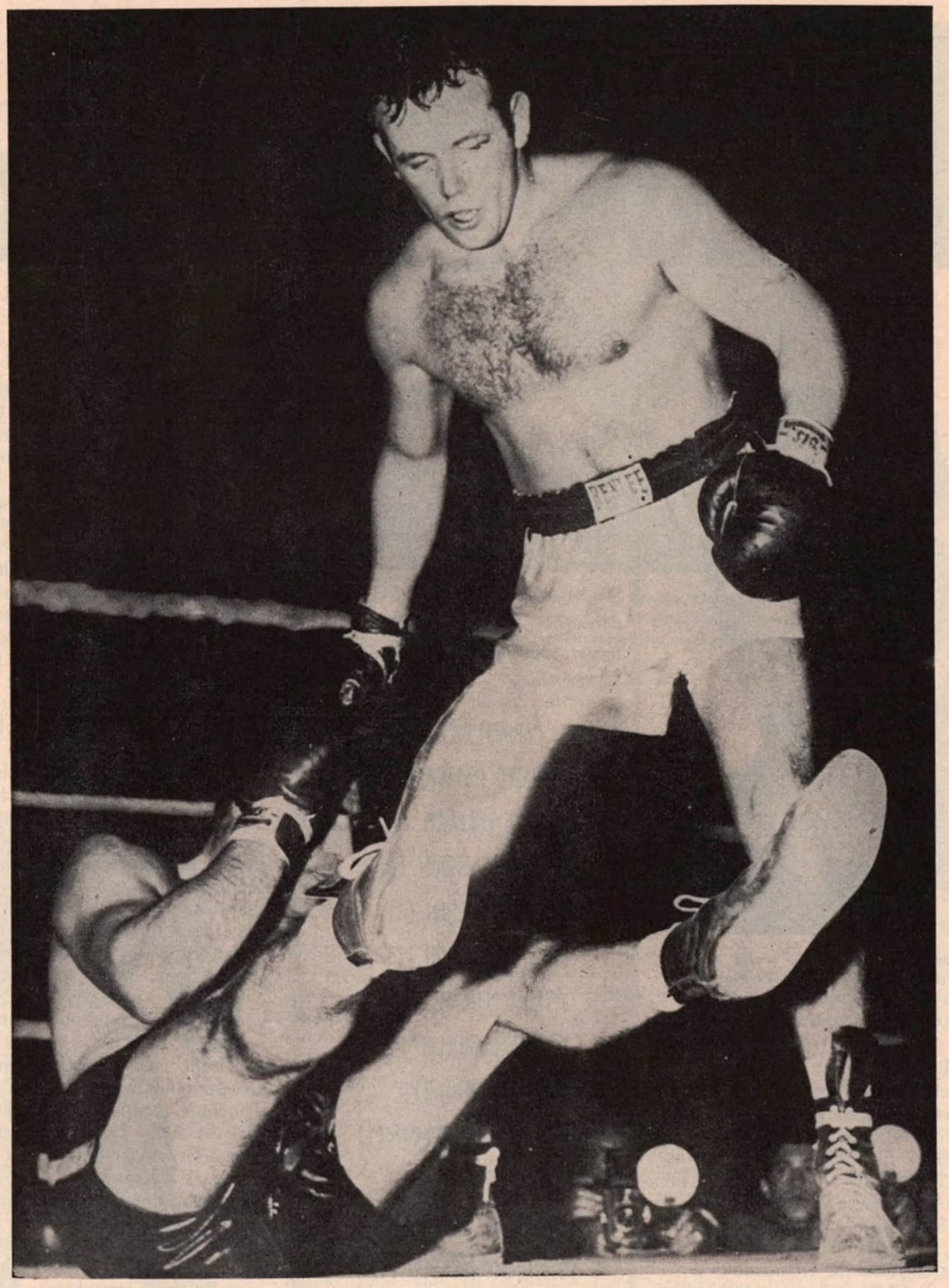
Taken by and large, the last twelve months of ring activity throughout the far-flung sectors of the boxing world were generally disappointing. There were few major developments, and in the overall recapitulation 1956 probably was the slowest the trade has known since the ending of World War II. There were no notable "booms" anywhere, and for the most part promoters went along on a "Business As Usual" basis, doing the best they could with what material was available.

High amusement taxes and a dearth of outstanding home-bred attractions continued to be the main handicaps in the British market. France and Italy, the most consistent nations in Continental Europe, reported slight declines in business during the year. Germany was one land that showed a fair increase in activity over 1955, and Spain, Belgium and Holland, with modest programs, did about as well as could have been expected. With professional boxing practically extinct in Norway and Denmark, the only activity in Scandinavia was an occasional show in Sweden.

Switzerland, Portugal, Luxembourg, Austria and Turkey functioned on a now-and-then schedules, mainly with small-time cards.

VETERANS HIGHLIGHTED ACTIVITIES.

Veterans continued to occupy most of the main stage in the European theatre of ring operations during 1956. Two of the most active were middleweight Charley Humez of France and lightweight Duilio Loi of Italy. Both retained their European titles.



Ingemar Johansson, young Swede, knocking out Italian giant, Franco Cavicchi, in 13th round to become European heavyweight champion.

Humez didn't fare too well in two brief visits to the United States. Handicapped by torn scar tissue above the eyes, which all but blinded him by blood streaming down his face, Charley lost close decisions to Ralph (Tiger) Jones and Gene Fullmer in exciting fights in Madison Square Garden. Subsquently, Humez evened the score with Jones by taming the Tiger in a return match in Paris. During the year, the Frenchman's other performances included a win over Hans Stretz in Berlin, a knockout of Peter Muller in Dortmund, and a successful defense of his European laurels against Franco Festiccui, whom he flattened in Milan.

Loi, the busiest of the Old World champions, campaigned on better than a fight-a-month basis. He fought thirteen times, and wasn't at all choosy about his opponents. He accommodated anybody and everybody the promoters suggested. Loi defended his title twice, both times in Milan against the hard-hitting Spanish southpaw, Jose Hernandez, and during the year he whipped the touring Cuban, Orlando Zulueta, and rivals from France, Germany and Holland. His most notable accomplishment was to trounce those highly-rated French-Corsican brothers, the rated Chioccas, in successive bouts. After beating welter-

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TV & Boxing

By JOHNNY SALAK

All Smiles. Carmen Basilio, world welterweight champion, was voted TV Fighter of the Year by the fans for the second straight year in a poll conducted by this magazine.

FOR the second year in a row, Carmen Basilio, world welterweight champion, with his dynamic, slambang style, came out on top in the TV Fan Poll, while Floyd Patterson, who climaxed 1956 by winning the vacant world's heavyweight championship with a five round knockout over Archie Moore, again finished second.

Surprising was the tremendous turnover in the ranking twenty of the year before, thirteen new faces appearing. Gone from the list are Archie Moore, Frankie Ryff, Eduardo Lausse, Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Carmelo Costa, Milo Savage, Gil Turner, Bob Baker, Bob Satterfield, Ezzard Charles, Virgil Akins, Bobby Boyd and Tony DeMarco.

In all, fans listed only thirty-nine different fighters in their voting, a low number indicating the strength of the selections which came out on top.

It was a different story with the TV Fight of the Year where opinion was scattered and wide, fifty-seven different fights gaining some support. Basilio took down all television honors when his second battle with Johnny Saxton, at Syracuse, which saw Carmen score a nine round knockout and regain the welterweight title he had lost earlier to Saxton on a questionable decision won out in the voting.

Second in this listing was Patterson's title winning effort against Archie Moore and in a strong third place was another Patterson fight, his twelve round split decision victory over Tommy Jackson. Two middleweight bouts took follow-up honors, Joey Giardello's rock 'em-sock 'em, up and down battle with Bobby Boyd and Gene Fullmer's blazing go with Charley Humez.

A bout which gained much support was Joe Brown's classic victory over Wallace (Bud) Smith for the lightweight title. As one reader put it, Brown got his vote "because of his beautiful boxing. Brown's feinting, side-stepping and left jabbing was something to behold. That he gave such a display in spite of a broken hand should clinch honors for him."

This trend was seen throughout the voting, which would put a crimp in the arguments of those who feel that the television fan is solely interested in viewing bouts with blood and thunder. The high popularity rating of fighters such as Isaac Logart, Cherif Hamia, Yama Bahama, Willie Pastrano and Brown is a pleasant surprise. Many of the fights in which they engaged also ranked high for the year.

Eddie Machen's knockout victory over Nino Valdes, Gene Fullmer's win over Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Ray Robinson's smashing of Carl (Bobo) Olson, Cherif Hamia's fine action-filled bout with Miguel Berrios and Spider Webb's defeat of Rory Calhoun, all gained heavy support in the voting, in that order.

Floyd Patterson, the new heavyweight champion, is no stranger to TV fans. Though only seen twice on television in 1956, against Tommy Jackson and in his title winning fight, in 1955 he was on TV three times and in 1954 nine times.

In 1956 there was another, though slight, drop in the number of network

TV FAN POLL

Below are listed the twenty most popular fighters seen in nationally televised bouts during 1956, according to the fan poll we conducted. Figure in parenthesis denotes number of times fighter appeared on network TV during the year.

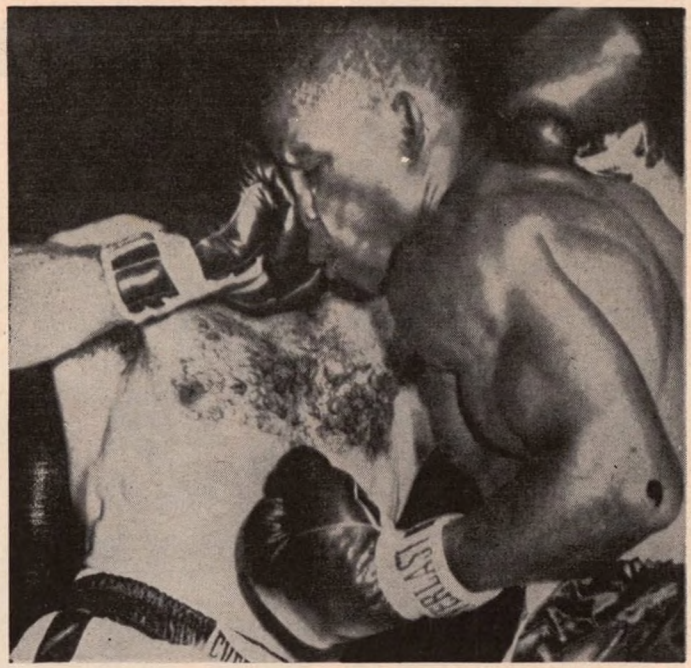
1. CARMEN BASILIO (3)
2. FLOYD PATTERSON (2)
3. GENE FULLMER (4)
4. RORY CALHOUN (8)
5. EDDIE MACHEN (4)
6. RAY ROBINSON (1)
7. ISAAC LOGART (6)
8. JOEY GIARDELLO (4)
9. JOE BROWN (2)
10. LARRY BOARDMAN (1)
11. CHERIF HAMIA (3)
12. MIGUEL BERRIOS (9)
13. TOMMY JACKSON (4)
14. GASPAR ORTEGA (6)
15. CHUCK SPIESER (4)
16. WILLIE PASTRANO (3)
17. TONY ANTHONY (3)
18. SPIDER WEBB (4)
19. WAYNE BETHEA (5)
20. YAMA BAHAMA (4)

television shows, to 155. There were 166 in 1955 and 209 in 1954. Last year's figure was made up of 53 St. Nicholas Arena fights (DuMont), 51 Wednesday Night bouts (ABC-TV), and 30 Friday night Madison Square Garden events and 21 Friday night fights from cities other than New York (NBC-TV).

A total of 130 different fighters appeared in the 1956 televised fights, the same total as wound up on the screens in 1955. In 1954, 159 different fighters were on network TV.

Miguel Berrios, the Puerto Rican little red devil, was seen the most times, nine, with Rory Calhoun, possibly the most exciting fighter to come to the fore last year, and British middleweight Johnny Sullivan each making eight appearances.

Ludwig Lightburn, the British Honduras lightweight who faded toward the tail end of the year, was on TV seven times. Six performances each were recorded by Gaspar (Indian) Ortega, who did well, Isaac Logart, Cuban welterweight, Hardy Smallwood, the bazooka boy from Brooklyn, and Gene Poirer, Niagara Falls, N. Y., middleweight, who put on some slashing performances which took their toll.



Saxton Nose. The fans, voting for the outstanding TV Fight of the Year, selected the return bout between Carmen Basilio and Johnny Saxton which saw Basilio regain his welterweight title with a nine round knockout.

Miguel Berrios, the little red devil from Puerto Rico, was most active on television during 1956, being seen in all nine of his bouts, as he upped his featherweight stock.

Wayne Bethea, New York heavyweight, Joey Giambra, classy Buffalo middleweight, Gil Turner, veteran trial horse, and Charley Cotton, Toledo middleweight, each were in five TV bouts.

Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Yonkers, N. Y., middleweight, who was 1955's leader with eight, was seen on four occasions, while runner-up Milo Savage, Utah middleweight, with seven, was on television only three times in 1956.

Berrios' was a nine-for-nine year, all of his bouts hitting the screens. Against Bobby Bell and Flash Elorde he was seen twice each, while his other bouts videod were against Pat Marcune, Bobby Courchesne, Cherif Hamia, Kid Anahuac and Ike Chestnut, the only loss in the lot being to Hamia.

A whole host of fighters, sixteen in all, were in four televised bouts each during 1956, the list including Joey Giardello, Tex Gonzales, Joe Miceli, Gene Fullmer, Johnny Holman, Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Eddie Machen, Chuck Spieser, Johnny Summerlin, Harold Carter, Ike Chestnut, Tommy Jackson, Bobby Boyd, Carmelo Costa, Spider Webb and Yama Bahama.

Of the eleven world title bouts held in 1956, six took place in the United States, and all of those were televised.

The five championships held in foreign lands were Pascual Perez's three defenses of the flyweight title in South America, against Leo Espinosa, Oscar Suarez and Ricardo Valdez; Mario D'Agata's title winning kayo over Robert Cohen for the bantamweight crown in Rome, Italy; and Archie Moore's defense of the light heavyweight title against Yolande Pompey, which he won by a knockout, in London, England.

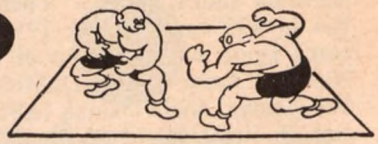
The six championship matches held in the United States were a low figure and for the first time in thirty-six years—dating back to 1919—no world heavyweight championship fight was held in New York City. The Ray Robinson-Gene Fullmer middleweight title fight was scheduled for Madison Square Garden on December 12, but illness to Robinson pushed the bout into 1957, on January 2.

Below are listed some of the major fights of 1956 which were on home television, though in a number of cases they were blacked out in the immediate vicinity of the bout, with figures showing how the actual gross compared with the TV and/or radio take:

	Gross Receipts	TV-Radio Revenue
Saddler-Elorde	$28,273	$35,000
Saxton-Basilio (1st)	104,288	60,000
Basilio-Saxton (2nd)	134,939	75,000
Robinson-Olson	228,500	100,000
Brown-Smith	43,900	40,000
Jackson-Baker (2nd)	66,691	30,000
Patterson-Jackson	66,038	75,000
Patterson-Moore	228,145	200,000

With the retirement of Rocky Marciano, for the first time in several years there were no bouts on the theatre-TV exclusive circuit. It also marked the first world heavyweight title fight to be seen by the general public since Rocky Marciano and Jersey Joe Walcott fought their less-than-a-round return in Chicago on May 15, 1953, when Floyd Patterson and Archie Moore tangled.

THE MAT WORLD



By NAT LOUBET

ON AND AROUND THE MAT WORLD

SPACE presenting its annual problem for this issue we were forced to curtail our wrestling but next month will see our return to a policy of more and more for the mat world.

On recent jaunt to Chicago to cover the Patterson-Moore fight I shared the same elevator with an old friend, Ed "Strangler" Lewis. We went up and down until we decided to sit one out on a lobby seat while Ed brought me up on his latest happenings.

As you all know Ed managed Lou Thesz to the heavyweight crown and then dropped off the champ's band wagon to become a lecturer on juvenile problems.

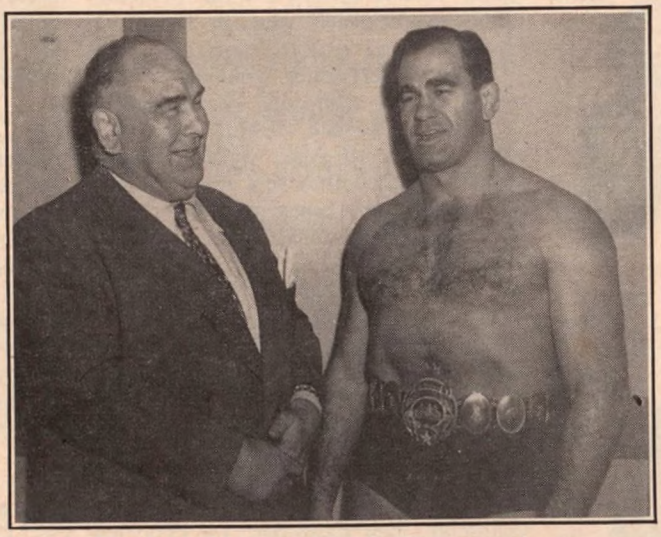
Big and robust with little about his bustling vitality to show that he has been a wrestler other than his two tin ears, Ed was asked about his life when he had been crossing holds with some of the game's best wrestlers of all time.

What's the most serious injury you ever had Ed?" he was asked. "Well, all told I imagine I must have had about 6000 matches and you know how I got my worst injury?" He shook his head and continued, "I was in one of these darn founded escalators in a busy department store right here in Chicago and the sole of my shoe got caught, and the next thing I knew the damn thing had a nice hold on my foot and threw me . . . it sure pinned me good."

All of which brings us to Lou Thesz and The Ring's nomination for "Wrestler of the Year". Thesz, who has been making the NWA version of the world title his own for close to a decade finally had an off night and allowed Canada's Whipper Billy Watson to borrow the crown for a few months.

In a recent meeting Thesz became an Indian giver . . . he took back his crown and is once again champ of all the grunt and groan that he can bear.

Isaac Berger (bottom) U.S.A., exhibiting his gold medal emblematic of first place in weight lifting. On his shoulders is a proud Charles Vinci, who also placed number one in the weight lifting department. He's a bantamweight.



Left: Ed Strangler Lewis with his protege Lou Thesz when Ed was Lou's manager. They have parted with Thesz to continue using his hands and arms and Ed his linguistic ability. He is currently lecturing.

P. E. Anderson, U.S.A., wears big grin after winning first place in the heavyweight weight lifting event at Melbourne. Anderson lifted 1102 lbs. Brother let me down!

Thesz has been good for wrestling. He has been above reproach both inside as well as outside the ring and his ringcraft has brought greater respect to the crown he wears. He is probably the fastest big man in the ring and one of the cleanest.

Insiders give voice to the rumors that within a short time if Thesz is to lose the championship, the man most likely to take it from him would be either Pat O'Connor or Verne Gagne.

But at this reading he still is the champ and "Wrestler of the Year".

Olympic wrestling carried under "N. F. Says" Mr. Fleischer covered the Melbourne games for The Ring. In the March issue we will bring you more on U. S. efforts in Australia.

THE RING'S Popularity Poll

MEN

1—Antonnio Rocca
2—Whipper Watson
3—Lou Thesz (NWA Champ)
4—Pat O'Connor
5—Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers
6—Big Bill Miller
7—Ronnie Etchison
8—Mark Tendler
9—Roy Shire
10—Enrique Torres

WOMEN

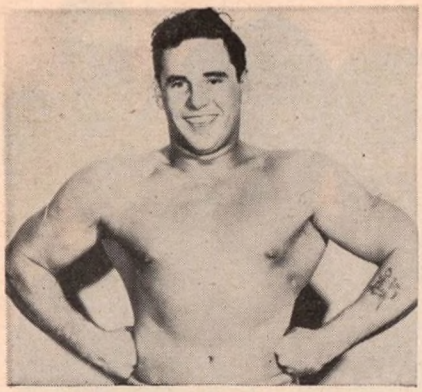
1—The Fabulous Moolah (Champ)
2—June Byers (Champ)
3—Ada Ash
4—Pat Sherry
5—Mary Jane Mull
6—Penny Banner
7—Carol Cook
8—Terry Majors
9—Kathy Branch
10—Judy Grable

Send in your votes on your favorite man or woman wrestler. The only way they can get to the top of the poll is by your vote.

FROM THE PACIFIC COAST

By Ed Briggs

Enrique Torres, classy Mexican sensation from Sonora remains the Pacific Coast Heavyweight Champion, dropping big Mike Sharpe of Canada in a fast paced title contest at the Civic Auditorium in Stockton, Calif. Big Mike is a former coast titleholder and is very anxious to garner the coveted belt again. Torres showed great form in his Sharp match, and was in command of the situation throughout the bout. . . . Big and powerful Adrian Baillagreon of Canada has made west coast mat men take a



Johnny Barend of Buffalo, N. Y., who has become a big draw throughout California. Barend and Ronnie Etchison of San Francisco, have teamed up to challenge the Sharpe brothers for the tag team championship.

back seat when it comes to executing the vicious bear hug. Since many of wrestlings' brother tag teams are out in northern California, it seems logical for Adrian to send out the call to his five brothers to head west. Imagine all six Baillagreons in a tag match, or even on the same card. Joe Malcewicz is back at his San Francisco wrestling office. Malcewicz, northern California's famed booker-promoter, was set back for several months due to a sudden illness. Good to see the famed Utica Panther active again. . . . Peg Colwell of Albuquerque, New Mexico reports that veteran matster Mike London is doing well booking and promoting cards in New Mexico and areas in Texas. Mike will be remembered as the "crybaby" of the mat, and a grade AAA villain. Jim Wright and Danny Plechas are the headliners in London's area, along with Mitsu Arakawa, current Rocky Mountain Heavyweight kingpin Juan Garcia, Great Kato and Miguel Lopez . . . Al Dermer, director of the Northern California Boxers and Wrestlers Welfare Fund reports that matmen Bud (Shovelface) Curtis and Otto Bowman suffered fractured legs. Dermer, who is also the wrestling and boxing promoter in Fresno (Calif.), reports that Curtis was teamed with Martino Angelo against Ronnie Etchison and Adrian Baillagreon at the Napa (Calif.) auditorium when Curtis came into the ring in order to pull Etchison off of Angelo. Etchison grabbed Curtis' ankle—and then it happened. No one knew that Curtis had suffered an injury until after the match was finished . . . Ed and Bill Miller spent the Christmas holidays with brother Dan and their families at Fremont, Ohio and are back on the coast creating all sorts of havoc and destruction.

PACIFIC COAST HEAVYWEIGHT RATINGS

Champion: Enrique Torres, Sonora, Mexico

1. Ronnie Etchison, Santa Cruz, Calif.
*2. Bill Miller, Fremont, Ohio & Bobo Brazil (TIE)
3. Roy Shire, Columbus, Ohio
4. Adrian Baillagreon, Montreal, Canada
5. Lord James Blears, Manchester, England
6. Sandor Kovacs, New Haven, Conn.
7. Mike Sharpe, Hamilton, Canada
8. Sandor Szabo, Los Angeles, Calif.
9. Ben Sharpe, Hamilton, Canada
*10. Vincent Lopez & Rito Romero, Mexico

* TIE

JACK ALLEN LOOKS TO THE FUTURE
By Viola G. May

Jack Allen is not adverse to publicity but he would rather prove to new fans and promoters that he can stop his man with wrestling knowledge. His exhibitions have shown that he is capable of holding his own when matched with the top men.

Jack is a bit resentful when spoken of as a "Grappling Wonder", but seriously he fits into that category.

This young man started his professional wrestling career seven years ago and like most wrestlers he has a fine mat back-ground of three years of amateur experience.

Jack was born twenty eight years ago in Milwaukee, Wis. He had a love for the sea, wanted more than anything else to be a Captain in the U. S. Merchant Marine. Only a part of his dreams came true.

In his early teens, he looked much older. With that assurance, he joined the Merchant Marine, travelled around the world spending time in Europe and South America.

With his early training he took advantage of the opportunity to wrestle in Venezuela and countries throughout Europe.

Jack is well proportioned, standing 6 feet and weighing 220 lbs. With his fair skin, jet black hair and piercing dark eyes, needless to say he attracts attention.

His ring attire is simple yet one jacket is really an eye catcher. It is of glimmering satin, beautifully tailored. Full flowing sleeves of white, a wide band of royal blue and across the left shoulder on a background of red, are white stars—while diagonally from the right shoulder are bands of both white and blue satin.

He was graduated from No. Division High School in Milwaukee. His interests were mainly swimming and

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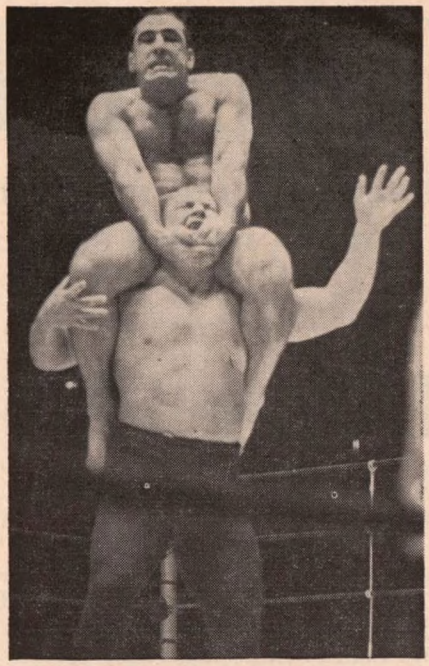
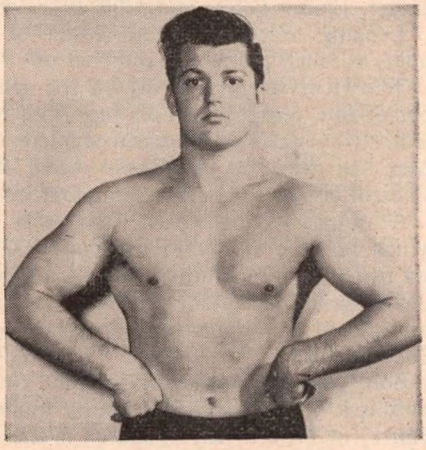


On top of the popularity poll as well as the shoulders of Dick (the Bruiser) Afflis of Indiana, Antonino Rocca, barefoot boy from the Argentine. Rocca won one fall match.



Jack Allen, twenty-eight-year-old Milwaukee, Wisconsin matster who depends on speed and clean grappling plus a solid understanding of the escapes to get to the top. Says Allen, "I will never be a villain."

Tom Mortimer (left) posing with wrestler Mark Lewin. Mortimer is the president of the Wrestler's Sportman's Club of Holyoke, Mass. Lewin has been going great guns since his return to the ring wars.

TALENT PLENTIFUL

Young crop of new faces give boxing much needed shot in the arm.

By LEW ESKIN

LAST year in our annual roundup we did a story titled "The Future Looks Bright" in which we stated that despite the general hue and cry of the boxing scribes that there were few, if any new faces coming up in boxing to replace the warhorses of the ring, there was plenty of young talent growing on the vine. It was our belief that within a year or two the majority of the lads we named would be headline attractions.

In the short space of a year four of these boys have moved into ranking positions, Eddie Machen and Rory Calhoun have reached a point where they are within a year of a title bout. Ricardo Moreno and L. C. Morgan gained spots in the ratings during the past year. Carlos Ortiz, Jerry Luedee, and Garnett (Sugar) Hart have become television headliners.

Others who have made rapid progress are Roy Harris, Texas Heavyweight champion who recently beat veteran Charley Norkus; Walter Byars, New England welterweight champ, who burst the Bob Murphy bubble; and beat Kid Gavilan, Gale Kerwin, Floyd East, Crowe Peele, Louis Carr, Warnell Lester, Jimmy Peters and Cliff Eskridge.

Looking over the present roster of youngsters we find this year's crop holds as much promise as did that of 1955.

The Heavyweights, on which the spotlight is always focused, have a number of fine prospects. For one, Alex Miteff of Argentina, a 200 pound six footer who was Pan-American amateur titleholder in 1955. Alex had over 100 bouts as a medal chaser and has won all eight of his pro bouts, scoring four kayos.

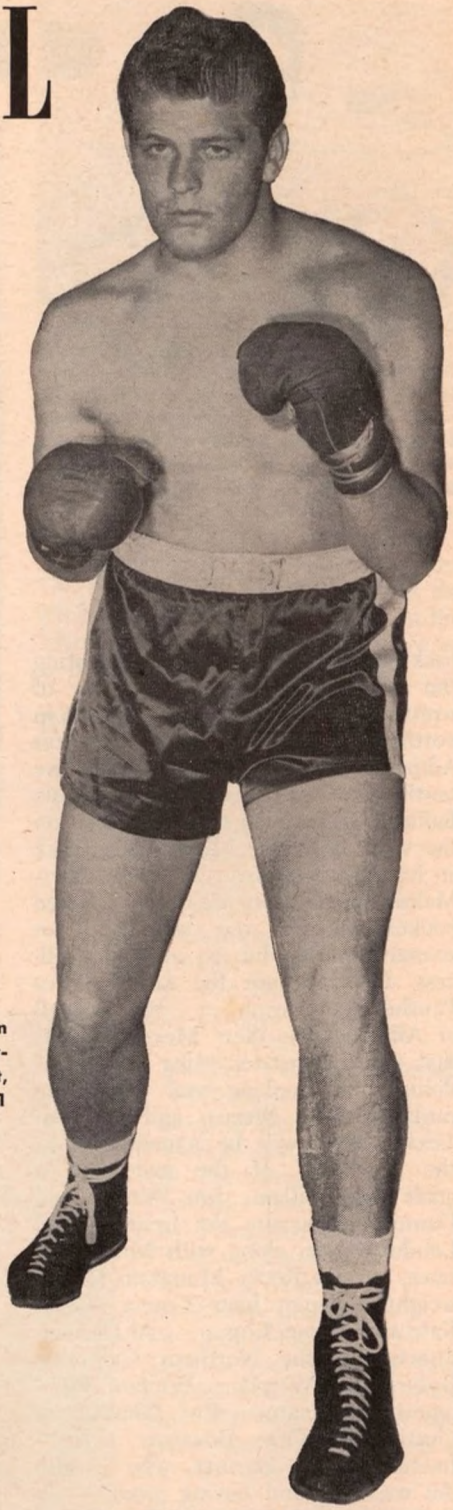
A strong, willing mixer Alex packs a solid left hook, which he uses mostly to the body. Close behind Miteff are two sons of California, Eddie Cato, a 230 pounder from Los Angeles, unbeaten in five starts; and a lad from the bay area of San Francisco who came from fighting family. Bob Butcher.

Bob, younger brother of topliner Grant of a few years back is a 6 ft. 2 inch 200 pound blond bomber who has won 11 of 11, 8 by kayos, and all in the first two rounds.

George Chuvalo, a 205 pound six footer from Toronto has won 3 out of 4 in fast company, beating veteran Johnny Arthur in his pro debut, then losing to tough Howard King.

Gerhard Rode, a 215 pounder from Germany with 5 wins in 8; Wayne Womochil, a 6 ft. 1 inch 190 pounder from Omaha, Nebraska, who has won 8 of 9, with 5 k.o.'s. Fenrick (Baby) Ward, a 17 year old 215 pounder from Trinidad, who has done all of his boxing in England, also figure. Baby has won 6 of 7, with 4 kayos.

Solomon McTier, of Montgomery, Ala., erstwhile out-



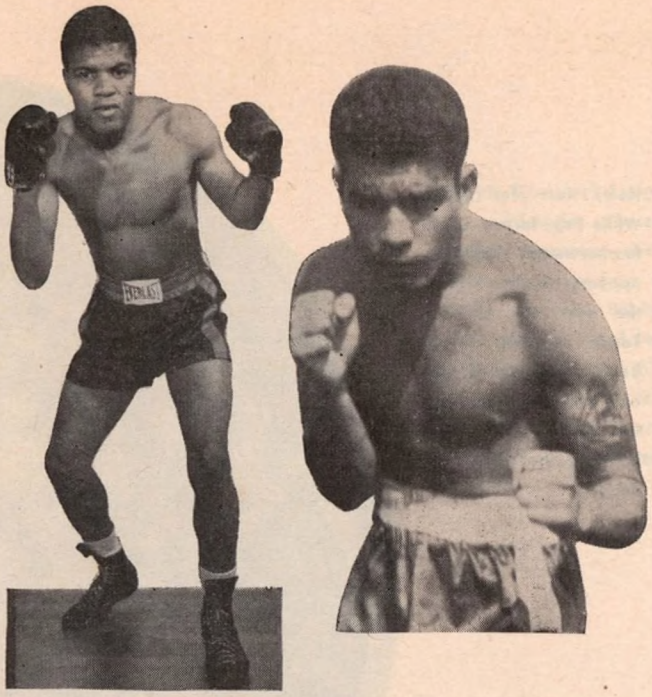
Big Bob Butcher, San Francisco heavyweight kayo artist, unbeaten in 11 fights.

Wayne Womochil, Omaha, Neb. Heavyweight.

Mickey Brown, Houston, Texas, Middleweight.

Nickie Delleva, New York, Middleweight.

Alex Miteff, Argentina, Heavyweight.



Eddie Thompson (left), New York, Middleweight, unbeaten in 8, one of his wins was over Danny Russo (right), New York, Welter, who has won 6 of 7.

standing amateur, has won both of his pro starts by kayos, and Len Kanthal, Washington, D. C., who like McTier was an outstanding simon-pure, also has won both pro bouts. Both these boys tip the beam at over 210.

Two Ohio rivals, 1956 Golden Glove Champion John Harper of Steubenville, winner of 4 of 6, and Art Mayorga, of Youngstown, winner of 7 of 10, complete the group. In three meetings between these 210 pounders, John has won twice.

Out of the eleven, only Womochil scales under the 200 mark, showing there is no shortage of beef and brawn.

There are only three Light Heavyweights of note, but all are top prospects. George Jarosch, of West Allis, Wisconsin, has won all of his money starts, 4 by the kayo routs. He hung the only loss on the record of Wayne Womochil.

Erich Schoppner, of Germany, who was European amarteur 175 pounds titleholder in 1955, has kayoed all of his seven opponents since turning pro. Joe Thomas, of Elizabeth, N. J. has won 8 of 11, all by kayos.

The Middleweight division has nine stars led by Eddie Thompson a 22 year old New Yorker. Eddie, winner of all of his eight starts, 3 by kayos, handed the only loss to another New Yorker, Joe Baglio, who has posted 13 out of 14. Billy Priest, youngest of the fighting clan from Cambridge, Mass., has racked up 4 kayos in winning all of his 6 contests. Nick Dellova, of New York 6 of 7; Joe Brewer of Fresno, Calif., 6 of 8; Yvon Turenne of Canada unbeaten in 10 pro starts, with 4 kayos; 18 year old Mickey Brown, of Houston, Texas, 7 for 7, and Gabriel Assaga, of French Cameroons, 6 for 6, 5 by the short route, complete the 160 pound roster of futures.

The Golden Dozen in the Welterweight class is loaded with potent punchers. Leading the pack is Robert Cofer, of Philadelphia. Bob has starched 6 of his 8 foes. 4 in the opening heat. He could be the top star of all the fighting kids.

Other wallopers are Stefan Redl, of Passaic, N. J. 6 kayos out of 8 wins; Jimmy Archer of New York, 6 out of 8 in 10 starts; and Eddie Armstrong, who has stopped half of his 8 victims. Eddie, out of Elizabeth, N. J., is the kid brother of Genorace, whom we tabbed among the middleweights last year. Other comers are Al Styles, of Philadelphia, 3 k. o.'s in 6 victories and Tommy Thomas of Portland, Oregon.

The southpaw clouter Thomas was National AAU king in 1956 and has stopped two of his six foes. Following closely is Tony DiBiase of New York; 15 of 17, one draw. He is a former Golden Gloves, AAU and NCA titleholder and shows much promise.

Joe Davis, of New York, who's lone loss in 13 was to Eddie Thompson; Willie Morton, of Oakland, Calif. with five straight; Rudy Sawyer, of Pittsburgh, with 5 for 5 including a kayo of veteran Jackie O'Brien; Peter Schmidt, of New York, a slam bang crowd pleaser with 6 of 9, and Danny Russo of Brooklyn, with 6 for 7, losing only to Eddie Thompson; are other standouts.

The 135 pounders have eight representatives led by 22 year old Gene Toran, an ex army champion from Erie, Pa. Unbeaten in 7 starts, Gene kayoed the highly regarded Jimmy Soo in seven rounds. Joey Donovan, an aggressive youngster from Astoria, L. I. has a streak of 12; and Leo Agbulos, of Stockton, Calif. has kayoed 7 in 10.

Hard punching Solomon Boysaw, of Cleveland, has stiffened three of his seven foes. Benito Tunon, of Panama; Joe Charles of El Cerrito, Calif. and both have five for five marks. Plummer Willis, of Minneapolis, has stopped 3 of his five opponents. All of these comers have unblemished records.

Leading the Featherweights is Jimmy Brown of Ireland, who has kayoed 15 while running off 17 straight since turning pro. Pat McCarthy Jr. of Boston, has racked up 11 for 11 with 7 kayos. Rudy Ortega of Cuba, boasts 13 wins 2 loses a draw. His defeats were at the hands of topliners Lulu Perez and Russ Tague. Gabrial Navarro, of Mexico, with 6 for 7, and Jesus SantaMaria, of Panama, unbeaten in six contests, complete the list.

The Bantamweights are led by Wally Livingston of Trenton, N. J., 9 for 10, with 4 k. o.'s. Most of his bouts have been against 126 pounders. Alan Sillett, of England, has captured 8 of 10, boxed one draw and halted 4. Johnny Sarduy, of Cuba, unbeaten in 5 bouts, is highly regarded,

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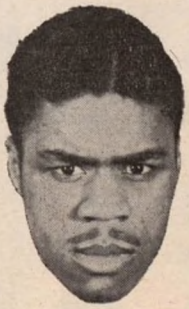
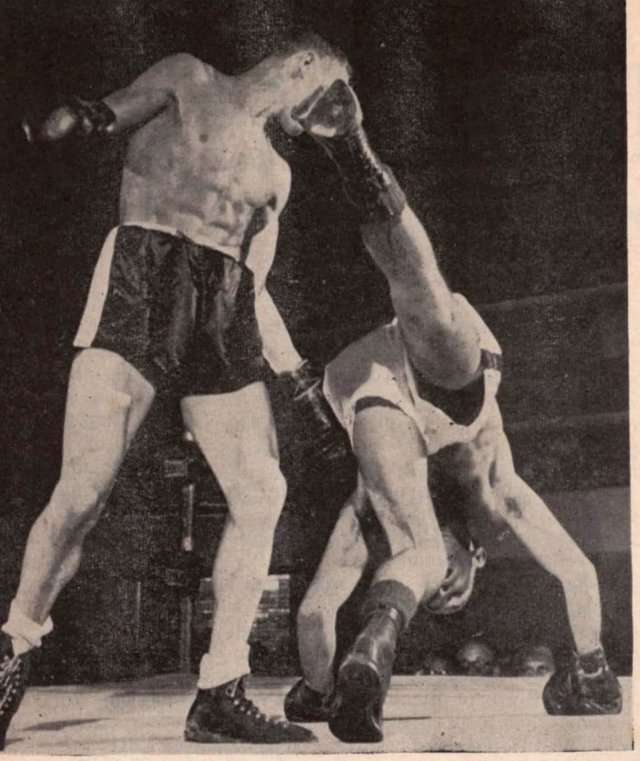
Joe Baglio, New York, Middleweight.

Joe Thomas, Elizabeth, N. J., Light heavyweight.

Tony DiBiase, Long Island, N. Y., Welterweight.



Joe Davis, New York Welterweight.



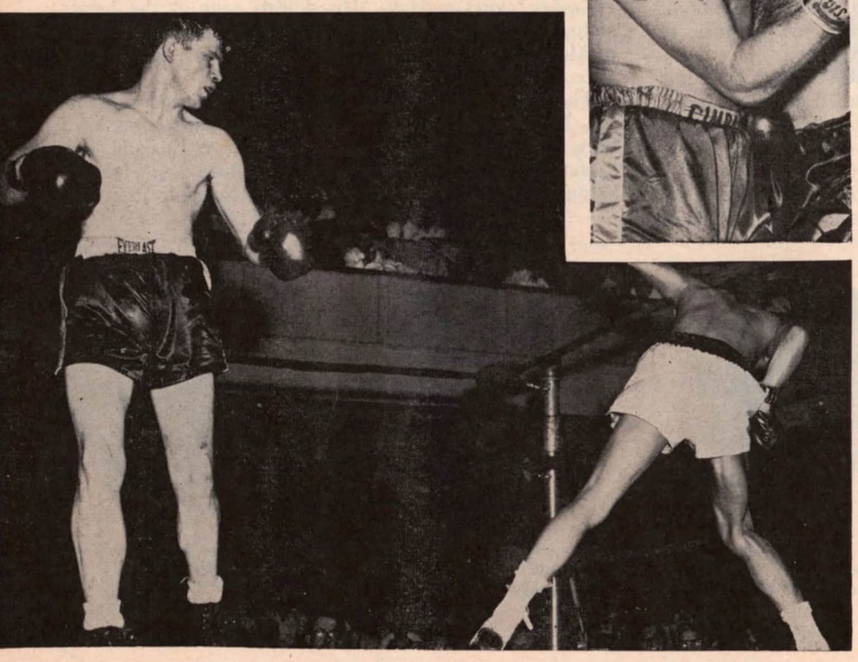
(Left) Just For Kicks. Willie Pep, former world featherweight champion, appears to be kicking the heck out of Russ Tague in their Miami Beach bout. But it was only a slip and the angle the camera shot it. Pep bounced back to win decision.

A Putty Good Punch. Isaac Logart seems to be putty in the hands of Gaspar Ortega's stiff left to the button during Boston welterweight bout won by Ortega on a split decision.

(Right) The Joint's Jumping. Eduardo Lausse (right), Argentina middleweight, rising from a crouch found Bobby Boyd doing a lot of leg work as he hustled his way to a split ten rounds decision over Eduardo at Chicago Stadium.

(Right) Blood Brothers? This unfriendly clinch shows blood-spattered Charley Humez, European middleweight champion, tangling with Italian challenger Franco Festucci in title bout at Milan, Italy. Humez halted Festucci in the twelfth.

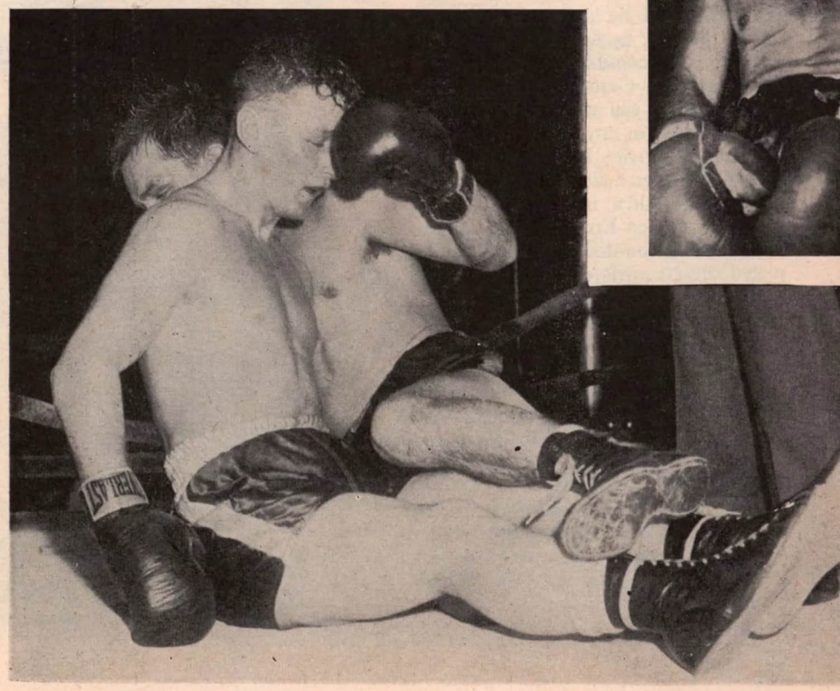
(Below) Head Hunter. Gaspar (Indian) Ortega appears to have lost his head over matters as Gene Poirer looks on in St. Nicholas Arena bout. But Ortega found himself and came back to pound out a ten rounds split decision.



1956 — ODD — HAPPENINGS

(Right) Oh, How I Cry. Peter Muller thinks it's a crying shame how he knocked himself out in bout with Jimmy Martinez in Portland, Ore. Muller tripped, sailed through ropes and landed on his head on wooden platform outside ring.

Gentlemen, Be Seated! Bob Murphy (foreground) fell to the canvas during bout with Jackie O'Brien who also decided to sit this one out. Thereupon, Murphy rose to the occasion to win a unanimous decision and unseat O'Brien as New England welterweight boss.



By TED CARROLL

1956 — A REAL GONE YEAR

Oddities, many incredible, of the year in professional boxing

IN the year of 1956 the absent minded professor of days gone by finally had to step aside in favor of a couple of forgetful fighters whose oversight topped the legendary lapse of the pre-occupied pedagogue who showed up in class minus his pants but was saved by his underwear. The two lads, both Golden Gloves hopefuls, became combat keyed to such a pitch that they turned up in the ring at introduction time minus their trunks.

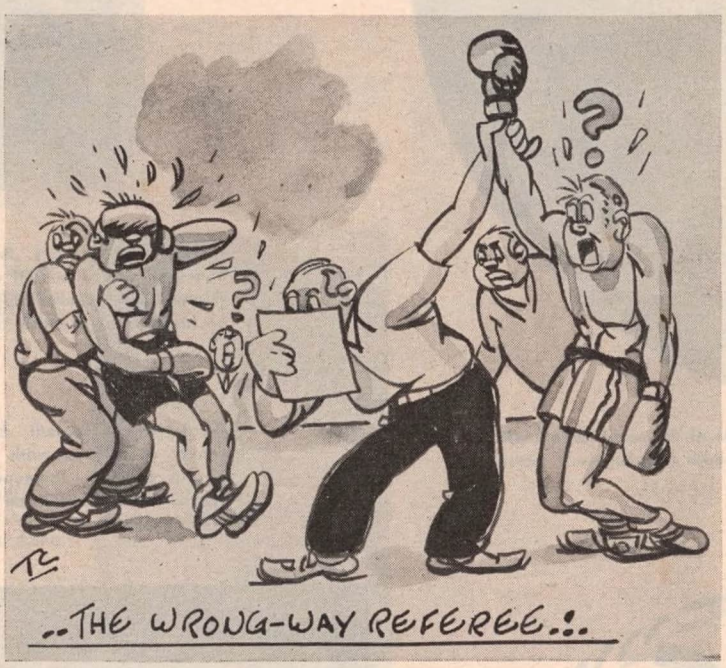
Curtis Schoon, whose uncovering convulsed the crowd in Sioux Falls, S. D. last January 26, after making the necessary addition to his costume, lost the bout. Then, of all things, he won the sportsmanship trophy. Probably for giving himself only the barest of chances.

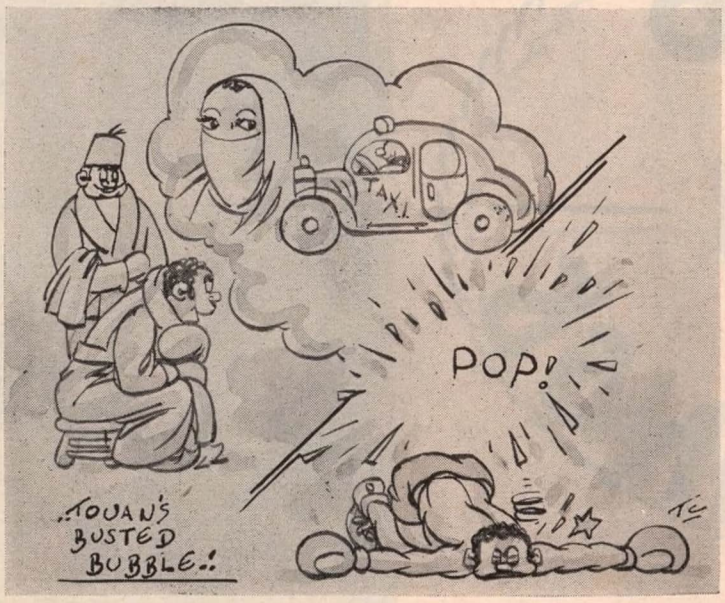
The other, Johnny Rincich, in Huntington, West Va., was apparently so embarrassed by his negiect, that once properly attired, he lost no time getting out of the ring, by flattening his foe in just one minute and twelve seconds.

The off-beat German middleweight, Peter Mueller, can usually be counted on to pop up in any account of crazy happenings. Pixie Peter, who once kayoed the referee and was jailed for it in Germany, then in Milwaukee two years ago, kayoed Ernie Durando, after actually being counted out himself, completed the eccentric circle by knocking himself out in Portland, Ore. on February 15.

Fighting Jimmy Martinez, Mueller, leading on points, rushed his opponent, who sidestepped. Mueller obligingly kept right on going right through the ropes! He struck his head on the floor with such force that he was counted out in the fifth round.

Manager Al Lang, a fight character who is himself no stranger to the foibles of fate, squawked that since Mueller was the victim of an accident, he should have been allowed to continue, but to no avail.





COMEDY OF ERRORS IN AN ENGLISH RING

Congratulations for the winning manager, consolation for the losing pilot, an inattentive referee, and a couple of criss-crossing fighters all combined to cook up a comedy of errors in an English ring on August 3. Pat M'Ateer, the British middleweight champ, following a whacking of Billy Ellaway in Liverpool, bounced across the ring to extend his sympathy to his opponent's manager, at the same time, Ellaway was in the other corner, congratulating M'Ateer's mentor.

Referee Fred Blakeborough, so intent in totalling his card, he was oblivious to the back and forth traffic all around him, moved over to M'Ateer's corner, and without bothering to look up from his figuring, raised the gloved hand, which happened to be Ellaway's who was still in the rival corner. The astonished Ellaway's mouth flew open, M'Ateer collapsed in a tearful heap, and the startled customers let out a blast that almost blew the referee out of the arena.

For a few moments, Ellaway was British titleholder, but after much confusion, things were straightened out, and M'Ateer was called winner and 'still champion'.

While he operates in comparative safety in the States, in other climes the referee's lot is somewhat more hazardous. On September 8, in Ostend, Belgium, the hapless arbiter was beaned and kayoed by a chair thrown from the ringside by an irate fan. What would you do in a case like this if you were commissioner? Over there, they called the whole thing off in the seventh round and declared the fight a draw.

Back in the Thirties, old Two Ton Tony Galento was famous for two expressions, "I'll moider the bum!" and "I wuz robbed." Galento's ring days are far behind him, but for the first time, both cracks really meant something when voiced by Galento last June. A thief entered his hotel room, in Hollywood, and swiped two hundred dollar bills he had hidden under his shirts in a bureau drawer.

LUCK HELPED LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION WIN IN TEXAS

The current lightweight champion of the world, no less, Joe Brown, never did as well with one of his own left hooks, as his opponent did for him, in a Beaumont, Texas bout on June 5. Eddie Brant tossed a left hook at Joe with such momentum, he crashed to the canvas, hurt himself, and couldn't arise. To Brown was awarded a TKO victory.

Critical sports writers who have enjoyed a welcome immunity from sensitive targets over the years, considering the provocation given in many cases, glimpsed a dispatch out of Spokane, Wash., with some nervousness on May 16. The piece contained the information that Manager Chuck Woods, incensed over cracks about his fighter Bobby Woods, took a punch at sportswriter Bob Johnson of the Spokane Chronicle in the dressing room of the Spokane Coliseum.

Woods' ire had been aroused not by the personal angle involved, but by the bad effect the comments had had on the size of the crowd, a most disappointing one.

In a bout at Florence, S. C. on May 21st, who should turn up as referee in the main event but Benny Deaton of Durham, who earlier in the evening had boxed and lost the decision in a six round preliminary.

Many years ago Maxie Rosenbloom was tracked down in a night club the night he was to meet James J. Braddock in the Garden and hauled off to the ring just in time for the opening gong. One Paul Perkins of Salt Lake City went old Slapsie Maxie one better, when he became sidetracked at a party in Twin Falls, Ida., and didn't show up at all for his fight with Dick Lane in Boise last April.

Cynics have called one wife one too many, but not Jules Touan, of Africa's Ivory Coast. Already saddled with three spouses, this being permissible in French West Africa, Touan, matched with Fred Galiana of Spain, last May, announced before the fight that if he won, he would buy either another wife or a taxicab. He hadn't decided which. Galiana relieved him of the strain of making this decision by knocking him out in twelve rounds.

Henry Armstrong held three world titles at one time, Rocky Marciano never lost a fight and Ray Robinson came out of retirement to regain his title, momentous achievements, all. But let's not overlook Amos Lincoln in recounting the milestones in boxing history. Amos' fame is of the left-handed variety, since his name appears on the odd happenings list for two straight years, a rare occurrence.

THIS LINCOLN FIGURED IN DAFFY PROCEEDINGS

In March of 1955 Amos won an eight round decision over Gene Brixon in Spokane, only to discover after it was all over that his gloves weighed six

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EDDIE MACHEN WINS PROGRESS AWARD

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victories over American Billy Peacock and Filipino Tanny Campo. In fifteen months of pro endeavor, Halimi had run off fourteen straight victories, ten by knockouts, and earned a conspicuous rating near the top of the world's bantamweight listings.

Ohm's busy schedule during 1956 established him as Mexico's No. 2 bantam, topped only by Raul Raton Macias. He packed in fifteen fights during the year, won fourteen, ten by knockouts, and his only defeat was squared away in a return match. His best known victim was a former Mexican flyweight title-holder, Jorge Herrera.

A LIVELY FEATHERWEIGHT FIELD.

Now you move up to the lively featherweight class, with four candidates for the year's Most Progress award.

You wouldn't be far amiss if you decided that Berrios, unrated when 1956 began, had produced the most spectacular record among the 126-pound newcomers. In nine starts, the colorful Puerto Rican suffered only one defeat, and that was in one of the year's most exciting fights—a sizzler with Cherif Hamia, the classy French-Algerian. Among Berrios' achievements were two decisions over Flash Elorde and one over Ike Chestnut, and when 1956 had run its course Miguel had well earned his lofty position in the featherweight ratings.

Jorgensen, the Texas entry, and Moreno of Mexico also compiled strong records during the last twelve months, and from "A" listings in 1955 they elevated themselves to major recognition in 1956.

Aside from one appearance in New York, where he met Carmelo Costa in the third match of their series, Jorgensen confined his ring activities to his native Texas, where he posted ten wins and one draw in eleven starts. The draw was with Costa in their first meeting, Jorgensen taking the decision in the second affair. Paul's other victims included Lauro Salas, Teddy (Red Top) Davis, Lulu Perez and Jackie Blair.

Moreno started the year as a bantam, losing a decision to top-ranking flyweight Memo Diez, but after moving up into featherweight competition he was unbeaten in six starts. Five of his victories were by knockouts, two of them at the expense of formidable Oscar Suarez and the American veteran Pappy Gault.

Neill's rapid progress in British rings was capped by two spectacular performances—knockouts of the French veteran Ray Famechon and the British champion Charley Hill. In two years of professional campaigning, Bobby, a former amateur internationalist, amassed a string of fifteen straight wins, twelve of them inside their scheduled distances.

BOARDMAN'S SENSATIONAL RECORD.

One of the outstanding records of the year was compiled by lightweight Boardman. When 1956 began, Larry was classified in the "A" brackets. Before the twelve months had run their course, the blond, kinky-haired Nutmeg Stater had blasted his way to recognition as No. 4 challenger for the 135-pound laurels. Boardman's accomplishments included victories over two reigning champions, lightweight Wallace (Bud) Smith and featherweight Sandy Saddler, and a pair of former lightweight title-holders, Jimmy Carter and Paddy DeMarco. Another notable achievement by the youngster was a knockout of Frankie Ryff. In his last bout of the year he lost to the very clever Orlando Zulueta.

Ortega's sudden uprising was a notable development in the welterweight ranks. Regarded as just an ordinary fighter, the Mexican crashed the Big Time ratings with successive upset decisions over two of the leading contenders for the world title, Isaac Logart, then No. 3, and former champion, Tony DeMarco, No. 2.

Webb and Calhoun were standouts in middleweight competition during the year. A native of Los Angeles but transplanted in Chicago, Webb turned pro in 1953 after an impressive amateur career, and in one year began to shape up as a future headliner. His ring career was suddenly halted, however, when the Army grabbed him for two years. The Spider resumed his glove-tossing early in 1956, and after two minor successes his big chance came along. In a substitute match he whipped rugged, experienced Holly Mims. Next he outpointed Calhoun for the first defeat Roaring Rory had suffered after twenty-three straight wins. Webb followed that performance by beating Charley Cotton and Charley Green to solidify his rating as one of the world's best middleweights.

Until he lost to Webb, Calhoun was blasting his way through the 160-pound ranks in spectacular fashion. Of his twenty-three wins, twelve had been by knockouts, with Randy Sandy and Willie Vaughn as his best-known victims. Rory also had decisioned Jackie LaBua and Charley Cotton. Following the setback by Webb, Calhoun resumed his winning way at the expense of Johnny Sullivan and by the end of the year was ranked just below Webb in the middleweight list.

ANTHONY FINALLY "MAKES" IT

You remember Tony Anthony from his amateur days, and he was one lad who seemed to be made of championship stuff. A tall, handsome kid, he had speed, skill and punch. After he turned pro, however, you realized that he wasn't built to "take it." He was too frail. As a welterweight, then a middleweight, he had the unhappy faculty of losing the important fights, and couldn't seem to rise above an "A" listing. Then, in 1956, Tony moved up into the light-heavyweight class, and with maturity and added strength the flashy Harlemite finally began to realize on his natural talents. He was an outstanding "newcomer" during the year, and impressive performances against Tony Johnson, Clarence Hinnant and Gordon Wallace earned him a conspicuous rating among the world's leading 175-pounders.

A steadily-improving Besmanoff also found the winning combination during 1956, and was one of the most consistent performers in Europe, with a record of eleven straight victories in international competition. Among the German's victims were Alex Buxton of England, Maurice Mols of France, Artenio Calzavera of Italy and the American journeyman Don Ellis.

Now you get to the "big fellows," and three candidates who jumped from Class A listings in 1955 to Big Time recognition in 1956.

Folley, a good boxer and stiff puncher, established his status during the year with decisions over Nino Valdes and Wayne Bethea.

Although an outstanding amateur, and finalist at the Helsinki Olympiad in 1952, Johansson's progress as a pro had been slow, retarded first by a hitch in the Swedish Navy, then by a scarcity of worth-while opposition. In three years, Ingemar had totalled only a dozen bouts, and that sort of industry, or lack of it, wasn't calculated to attract serious attention to him. In 1956, however, Ingemar finally made his bid for major recognintion. After adding two more victories to his list, the Swede was matched with Franco Cavicchi for the latter's European title, and he made the most of the opportunity by knocking out the giant Italian.

MACHEN GETS THE NO. 1 VOTE

Machen's record was the most impressive of the heavyweight entries. Few big fellows in recent years moved ahead as rapidly as the Californian. After only a few amateur bouts, Eddie turned pro early in 1955 and in less than two years put together nineteen straight victories, fourteen by knockouts, his performances including a decision and a knockout over Nino Valdes, a knockout of John Holman and a decision over Johnny Summerlin. It wasn't so much the victories as the manner in which they were accom-

plished that established Machen's status in the heavyweight ratings. The Californian displayed consistent improvement in each succeeding fight, and by the end of 1956 he had developed into a smooth machine. For a big fellow, he moved well; he knew how to box, he could "take" a punch if necessary, and he had a talent for hitting fast and authoratively with either hand.

Having considered, one by one, the eligible candidates, who would be your choice for the year's Most Progress award?

It wasn't an easy decision for The Ring staff to make. The voting for several of the favored entries was close, very close. The issue that influenced the final decision was the relative importance of the various divisions in the Big Time scene. Since the heavyweight class is, and always has been, the most important in boxing, the award went to Eddie Machen.

The Ring feels that the young Californian is an excellent selection and well qualified to follow Nino Valdes, Pascual Perez and Chuck Spieser in the parade of Fighters Making the Most Progress in One Year.

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but he was outnumbered by Judge Joe Eppy and Referee Arthur Mercante, who tabbed for Miteff. The semi-final six ended at 2:41 of the fifth, Rudy Gwin, 146½, Cleveland, stopping Dudley Chavis, 146½, Philadelphia. In other sixes, Fred Monforte, 145, Brooklyn, whipped Joe Figueroa, 140, West Side, and Dick Lowery, 156, Brooklyn, won from Joe Frye, 159, Jamaica. Tommy Kelly, 122, West Side, decisioned George Martinez, 122, Brooklyn, in the opening four.

▶ Showing in New York and on national TV for the first time, highly-touted Paul Jorgensen, 127¾, Port Arthur, Tex., was a keen disappointment in losing decisively to Carmelo Costa, 129½, Brooklyn, in an uneventful ten in Madison Square Garden. Jorgensen had drawn and won in two previous meetings with Costa, but they were in Houston, and the conclusion to be drawn after seeing him here was that Paul could do no wrong in his native Texas. Away from the Lone Star State, he wasn't so good. Against Costa in the Garden Jorgensen showed himself to be a good prospect, but not deserving of his lofty rating among the world's top featherweights. Costa was entirely too fast and ringwise for him. It was a dull affair all the way, with Costa winning handily on the scorecards of all three officials. Bill Tate, 158½, Chicago, made short work of Paul Perkins, 161, Salt Lake City, in the semi-final, battering him into defeat at 2:54 of the second. In sixes, Jimmy Archer, 144½, Bronx, whipped Itzy Wallach, 147, East Side, and Don McAteer, 167¼, Paterson, N. J., outfought Lou Perry, 171, Brooklyn. Jay Fullmer, 140½, younger brother of middleweight title contender Gene Fullmer, made his professional debut in the opening four and looked good in whipping Louis Milan, 141, Brooklyn.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

OLD TIMER EMILIO DE LA ROSA, 125, stopped another old timer Raul Solis, 126, in 5. Memo Sanchez, 119, stopped Panchito Villa II, 120, in 5. Luis "Ranchero" Ruiz, 135, stopped Raul Torres, 135, in 6. Javier Garfias, 118, outpointed Eleazar Gonzalez, 120, in 6. Alfonso Lima, 126, stopped Jose Magallon, 127, in 2.

▶ Manuel Armenteros, 121, stopped Joaquin Carrillo, 120, in 9. Coca Kid, 128, stopped Eduardo Almazan, 134, in 6. Eduardo Guerrero, 117, stopped Chavo Garcia, 114, in 7. Carlos Loyola, 130, stopped Mario Vega, 127, in 2. Jose Santillan, 145, decisioned Lazaro Labastida, 145, in 4.

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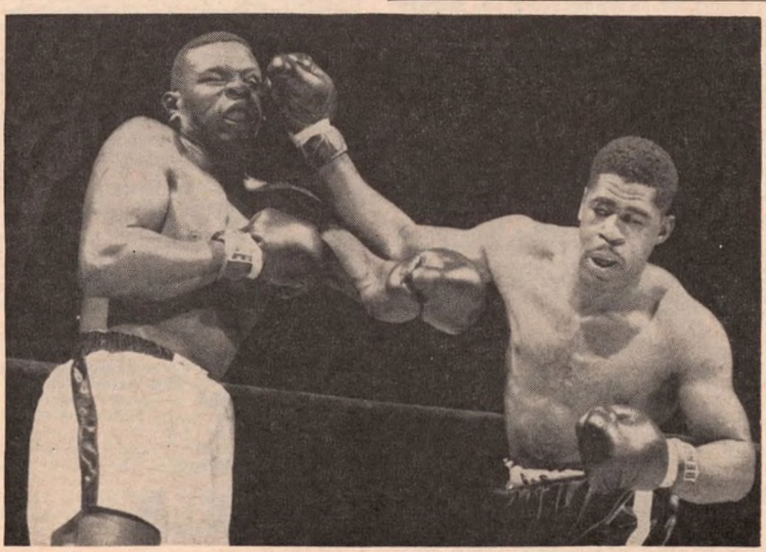


Harold Carter (right) scores with a long right to the head of young Jack Johnson during their ten-rounder at Madison Square Garden. Carter won the decision.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

ART ARAGON, scored a knockout over Gene Poirer in round three at Hollywood Legion Stadium, and a nice crowd of about 4,500 paid $13,106.50 to see the "bitter" battle. Aragon, 151, was the top-heavy choice over Poirer, 140.

DeWitt Lewis, 149, was credited with a 2-round TKO over Connie Citizen, 146, when the latter suffered a fractured arm and had to be rushed to a hospital.

The fours: Eddie Gaspora, 132½, TKO (2) over Hiram Betancourt, 134½; Little Firpo, 139½, dec. Leon Mitchell, 139½; and Bert Ford, 141½, KO (3) over Dave Gailes, 147.

▶Elderly Chief Archie Whitewater, Oakland, 144, scored one of the most stunning upsets of the year at the Olympic Auditorium when he stopped Joey Dorando, 143, in the 4th round.

A right to the head, in round 4, dropped Dorando for 7; he was greeted with a savage barrage of lefts and rights when rose to his feet, and Referee Dynamite Jackson mercifully—and sensibly—stopped the fight.

Artie Dixon, 164, won the unanimous verdict over Sonny Hett, 163, in the six-round semi. The fours: Jimmy Feaster, 136, dec. Amado Martinez, 135½; Franklin Haynes, 175½, dec. Charlie Earl, 176, and Gerald Hammond, 157, dec. Ernie Boykins, 160.

▶Bleeding from cuts over both eyes, colorful Lou Filippo, 139, a gamester who is never in a dull brawl, scored the unanimous decision over Manny (Kid) Castro, Guam, 136½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium.

Referee George Latka tabbed Filippo, 95-92; Judge Jimmy Wilson gave Lou a 97-91 margin, and Judge Tommy Hart saw it 95-89.

Lonnie Malone, 172, battled a draw with Monroe Ratliff, 174, in the six-round semi. The fours: Richard Montanez, 166½, drew with Dan Adams, 166; Charlie Clark, 144½, KO (3) over Eddie Gilbert, 148; and Questa Walker, 138½, dec. Royal Joiner, 138.

▶Ellsworth (Spider) Webb, a home-town boy who went astray and now makes Chicago his home, 157, decisively vanquished Charley Green, 160, at Hollywood Legion Stadium, and a goodly crowd of over 4,000 paid a gross of $5,535. to see an exciting 10-round brawl.

Webb graduated from Jordan High, L. A., later attended Compton College, which has turned out many fine athletes.

Spider built up a big early lead with an accurate left jab, coupled with an occasional cross to the head. Green, a solid socker, tried in vain to land one of his haymakers, but seemed to have the decisive edge in only two heats—the 8th and the 10th. He really had Webb hurt in the 10th.

In the semi-final slated for six, Eddie Cato, 217, scored a 5-round TKO over Tommy Fields, 186½. The fours: Amado Martinez, 136½, dec. Posey Bridges, 136; Dave Gailes, 142½, dec. Herman Beasley, 142; and DeWitt Lewis, 148½, dec. Deane Crisp, 154.

▶My old amigo, Jack Hurley of Seattle, has taken over the management of Big Bob Albright, the heavyweight who decked Don Cockell in a workout last year. Jack, whom I've known for more than 30 years, has worked wonders in the past, sometimes with mediocre material.

That knockdown over Cockell almost ruined the title fight with Marciano. In company with the late Harry Mendel and personable Ben Bentley, I helped ballyhoo that one. We put on a British Empire Day at Cockell's camp in San Rafael; about 500 Britishers were on hand. Also a half dozen newspapermen, including one photographer. Imagine our consternation when that bloody photog snapped Cockell laying flat on the back of his lap. We tried to buy the picture. No sale. Oy, veh!

Anyway, that's ancient history now. Matters were helped somewhat when one of Rocky Marciano's spar-mates put him down with a left hook in a workout at Calistoga. A San Francisco sports columnist accused Bentley and me of staging that one. We both thanked him profusely.

▶The nationally televised 10-round tiff between Ike Chestnut, N. Y., 128½, and Irish Tommy Bain, now a Californian, who weighed the same, fell far below expectations in gate receipts at Hollywood Legion Stadium; the gross was $2,750.

It was also a bitter disappointment to Tommy Bain, for he dropped a split decision to the invading New Yorker. Judge Dick Young, one of our newer appointees, voted for Bain, 95-94; Judge Mushy Callahan voted for Chestnut, 95-94, and Referee Frankie Van, one of our best, gave Chestnut the edge by a decisive 97-92 margin.

Chestnut outboxed him at long range, had a big edge going into the tenth. In the final round Bain, in desperation, made an all-out effort. He threw punches from all angles; many missed, but some landed. However, it was too little and too late.

The fours: Royal Joiner, 140, dec. Ray Copeland, 135; Luke Easter, 134½, homerunned over Paul Baker, 136, by KO in the 2nd; and Questa Walker, 138½, KO (1) over Benny Robledo, 139.

▶The long layoff of Julian Velasquez—nine months—did'nt seem to affect him adversely, for he had little trouble in racking up the unanimous 10-round decision over Billy Evans at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A. Velasquez, 129½; Evans, 129.

Referee Dick Young and Judge George Latka turned in identical cards, 98-92; Judge Frank Holborow saw it 98-93. Velasquez was the aggressor from the start, scoring effectively with body punches, later raising his sights to the head.

Lonnie Malone, 174½, got the nod over Franklin Haynes, 174, in the six-round semi-final, a savage slugfest. The fours: lanky Al Moore, 134, dec. Leon Mitchell, 139; Dave Gailes, 147, defeated Herman Beasley, 144; and Eddie Gilbert, 148, dec. Bert Ford, 144½.

▶Larry Bataan of the Philippines had his left hooks and right hand follow-ups in good working order, enabling him to score a fifth round kayo over Al Cruz of Los Angeles, at Fresno Memorial Auditorium. Weights: Bataan, 126; Cruz, 122.

Bataan took every round. Three ponderous rights to the jaw in the fifth put Cruz down for nine. After arising, Cruz was taking a pasting when Referee Frank Manfredo halted the battle.

The program promoted by the Fresno Athletic Club drew $1,650 gross.

Nemesis for consistent winner Joe Brewer of Fresno proved to be Al Loretz of S.F. Loretz TKO'd Brewer in 2.23 of the last round of a scheduled six. Weights: Loretz, 157; Brewer, 158.

Vince DaVi, 145, Los Angeles, drew with Julian Valdez, Vallejo, in 6. Marvin Marcus, 142, Fresno, knocked out Dick McGhee, 140, S.F., in the third.

▶Few men of his weight can stand up under Dommy Ursua's punches if the mighty Filipino mite starts getting in solid wallops. He knocked out veteran flyweight Johnny Ortega of Oakland in the third round of a show promoted by Willie Hunefeld. Scene of hostilities was the Civic Auditorium in Stockton. Box office gross was $2,372.

Ursua weighed 116; Ortega, 115. Dommy started getting the range in the third and he floored Ortega with a crushing right to the body. After Johnny arose at 8, he was unable to move fast enough to avoid a fast one-two combination. Referee Pete Morelli counted him out.

Leo Agbulos, Stockton welter, won on a TKO in the sixth over Roy Sanchez, of Mt. View. Results of fours: Johnny Bermudez, 132, dec. Abel Perez, 131; Doug Garrett, 149, outpointed Edgar Jones, 143; Joe Neal, 166, dec. Hershel Bailey, 166.

▶Jack Parelli, forceful walloper from Oakland, was halted by Kid Castro, sharpshooting Filipino lightweight. Castro decked Parelli four times and won by a seventh round TKO in the main event at the Auditorium in Richmond. Weights: Castro, 139; Parelli, 135.

Jimmy Cosenza handled the promotion, and the show grossed $1850.

Parelli went down twice in the first, and again in the third and fourth. But he fought well in between these setbacks, and even arose in the seventh after being battered to the canvas. But Referee Johnny Lotsy halted proceeding on account of Parelli's badly cut left eye.

In the scheduled six round special, Bob Butcher, 213, stopped Walter Robinson, 185, in the second. Robinson's left eye was completely closed. In another scheduled six, Johnny Heard, 162, scored a four round TKO over Willie Lewis, 161. Sammy Taylor 148, outpointed Raul Valencia, 140, in 4.

▶At Hollywood Legion Stadium, Lauro Salas, 129½, was awarded the split decision over Tommy Tibbs, Boston, 130½.

Salas made his customary slow start—and his customary strong finish. A crowd of about 2,800 paid $4,010 to see the televised tiff.

Bobby Robledo, 125½, scored a 5th round TKO over Joey Trujillo, 124, in the semi, slated for six, and scored two knockdowns in the process. The fours: Eddie Gaspora, 132, dec. Norbert Galindo, 130½; Lonnie Malone, 175, TKO (4) over Charley Que, 175; and Exter Wilkerson, 166, KO (3) over Danny Kramer, 172½.

▶Charles (Tombstone) Smith, state welterweight champ, 147, scored his 13th straight win at Hollywood Legion Stadium when he flattened Timmie Jefferson, 140, in Round 3.

Joe Abasta, 146, despite the handicap of a badly gashed left eye, won the unanimous verdict over Connie Citizen, 146½, in the six-round semi.

The fours: Eddie Gilbert, 149¾, dec. Jimmy Plair, 148½; Royal Joiner, 138, dec. Amado Martinez, 136½; Johnny Mays, 203, TKO (3) over Willie Pope, 187½, and Charley Clark, 144, dec. Herman Beasley, 143.

▶Bolo-punching Kid Gavilan, former world welterweight boss, scored the unanimous 10-round duke over popular Chico Vejar at the Olympic Auditorium. Close to 8,000 fans paid a gross of $25,228 to see the non-televised scrap, and every man Jack got his money's worth. And then some.

There were no knockdowns, but neither was there a dull moment in the ten furious rounds and give-and-take, and while the Cuban was entitled to the unanimous verdict, Vejar made a splendid showing.

Referee Mushy Callahan scored it 98-90; Judge Charley Randolph, 98-91, and Judge Dynamite Jackson, 99-92, all for the Keed.

Mel Ferguson, 145, L.A., scored a surprising one-round knockout over Andy Figueroa, 148½, N.Y., Gavilan's chief spar-mate.

The fours: Rudy Cisneros, 117½, KO (2) over Tony Rios, 119½; DeWitt Lewis, 148, dec. Don Farmer, 146½; and Little Firpo, 138, TKO (3) over Jimmy Feaster, 134.

▶Something of an upset was the unanimous victory scored by Nick Turner, 169½, lanky Columbus (Ohio) battler over rugged Ruben Hernandez, 167, at the Olympic Auditorium.

Boasting a big advantage in height and reach, Turner was ahead 97-90 on Referee Dynamite Jackson's card, while Judges Dick Young and George Latka favored the Buckeye brawler 99-91 and 98-89, respectively.

Jimmy Lassiter, 134½, scored a knockdown in Round 2 over Frank Jennings, 136½, and went on from there to rack up the unanimous six rounds decision.

The fours: Ray Copeland, 137½, dec. Posey Bridges, 137½; Bart Ford, 146, dec. Bill Garrett, 146; and Royal Joiner, 137½, drew with Amado Martinez, 136½.

▶Chief Archie Whitewater, veteran San Francisco welterweight, knows that dire things happen to battlers who stand still and slug it out with Willie Morton, San Jose clouter. So the Chief made it a running battle throughout, and though he lost the ten round verdict, he is the only one of Morton's recent opponents who has remained upright. They clashed at the Civic Auditorium in San Jose. Weights: Morton 143, Whitewater, 145.

Referee Johnny Lotsey's score for Morton: 99 to 93. Babe Griffin promoted.

Promoters like a good Mexican heavyweight, so they were saddened when Nick Vasquez, 219, of S.F., was knocked out in four rounds by sharp-shooting George Kennedy, 196, of Fresno. They were scheduled for six.

Results of fours: Kid Sixto, 173, TKO'd Billy Rix, 171, in 3; Rudy Sanchez, 137, dec. George Weiner, 142.

▶Most West Coast boxing fans are also baseball enthusiasts, so many of them were puzzled when it was announced that Luke Easter was fighting the semi-windup battle at Richmond, Calif. They found that this

performer is a lightweight—not the giant first baseman who piled up impressive home run totals in cities like San Diego and Cleveland.

Easter, from Pittsburgh, knocked out tough Chico Arroyo of San Francisco in the second round. He seldom missed, and after he decked his adversary twice with left hooks to the jaw, Referee Fred Apostoli intervened. Weights: Easter, 136; Arroyo, 139.

Fireworks also featured the main event, when Lyle Mackin, 148, Oakland, put Al Barbero, 152, S. F. down for the count in 2.32 of the third session. It was Macklin's 13th consecutive victory.

Barbero was down for eight to start the fateful found. When he arose, a fusillade of Mackin leather finished him off.

It was the third show for Promoter Jimmy Cosenza. His box office gross was the best yet—$2,017.

In the fours: Jackie Torme, 192, TKO'd Cordell Jones, 198, in 3; Al Conley, 140, stopped Frank Elias, 138, in 2; Raul Valencia, 140, dec. Ken Gordon, 142.

▶ Gustavo Adolpho Vega, of Managua, Nicaragua—better known as Kid Centella, his ring tag—saw his fame and prestige shoot sky-high in Los Angeles when he scored a 5-round TKO over the veteran Carlos Chavez at the Olympic Auditorium, thereby avenging a previous split-decision loss to Old Man River. Centella, 135½; Chavez, 135½.

Dargin McWhorter, 143½, defeated Vince Davi, 143½, in the six-round semi, a unanimous verdict. The four-rounders: Eddie Gilbert, 147, decisioned Herman Beasley, 143; Tony Rios, 120, defeated Carlos Serrano, 121½, and Ray Copeland, 134½, triumphed over Al Moore, 136½.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Ike Morales

NEAL RIVERS, THE DEAD-PANNED LARRUPPER FROM LAS VEGAS, scored a ninth round knockout over Al Hauser of Philadelphia. And returned to outpunch Charley Joseph in 10 bloody rounds in Municipal Auditorium.

Against Hauser, 152, in the Coliseum arena Rivers, 159, had things under control as early as the second round. Right hand smashes started Hauser's left eye closing in the second, and when the bout was halted in the ninth round, the eye was closed as tight as a drum.

Jimmy Hackney got sweet revenge on "Killer" Jackson, putting the home-town boy away in 2 minutes, 10 seconds of the fifth round.

Fred Terry, Philadelphia middleweight, stopped Johnny Howard in three rounds.

Ike Stewart beat Johnny Powell in four rounds.

Only 1,554 fans, who paid a net gate of $2,276, turned out for the program.

▶ Local boxing fans witnessed one of the bloodiest fights since Red Hill and Tommy Freeman went at it hammer and tongs many years ago, when Neal Rivers of Las Vegas bested Charley Joseph, New Orleans contender, in Municipal Auditorium.

A notorious slow starter, Rivers stepped up the tempo during the last half of the battle, battering the local boy with effective hooks and overhand smashes to the jaw to pull the peanuts out of the fire.

Judge Ernie Cojoe scored the fight for Joseph, giving the local boy five rounds to Rivers' four, and calling one even. Judge Eddie Brown gave it to Rivers, 6-3-1, while Referee Charley Daboney tabbed it even in rounds—4-2-2, but awarded the fight to Rivers for more effective punching.

A turnout of 2,131 fans, who paid a net $4,269.84 turned out for the fight program. Both weighed 159.

Eddie Davis, local featherweight, lost his first fight, dropping a split decision in four rounds to Dave Dupass, who was twice victim of Davis earlier in the year. Davis suffered a broken jaw. In other fours, L. J. Thomas stopped Willie Lee in two rounds; Earl Gray defeated Ike Stewart: Al Carter bested Bill Hughes, and Regust Williams defeated Mickel Lowrey.

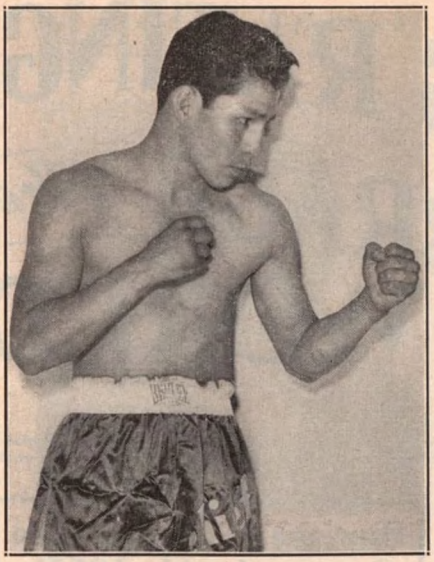
▶ Willie Vaughn, 159, the California middleweight had too many guns for Felix "Choo Choo" Benson, 153, Philadelphia, scoring a fifth round knockout in 2 minutes, 55 seconds of the fourth round. The fight was promoted by Heard Ragas in the Coliseum arena.

Vaughn suffered cuts on his lower lip, nose and left eye, while Benson was bleeding from the nose and mouth.

Vaughn, like a wild man in the third, caught Benson with a hook to the jaw and the Philly middleweight went to the canvas, just managing to beat the bell.

A small crowd of 1,649 fans paid $2,442.52 net to see the fights.

Joe Lewis scored a fourth round kayo over Dave Cheatum. In another sixer, Joe Cook came from behind to win over the more experienced Tommy Hayes, while Sammy Davis stopped Joe Manuel in three rounds. Eddie Davis won over Dave Dupass in four.



Chief Archie Whitewater, veteran Oakland welterweight, scored one of the most stunning upsets of the year, when he stopped Joey Dorando in the fourth round at the Olympic Auditorium.

▶ Rocky Marciano and Joe Louis visited the Crescent City to take part in the initial promotional venture of the Irish Channel Boxing Club on Monday.

The Rock refereed the 10-round headliner between Ralph Dupas of New Orleans and Siegfried Burrow, the German welterweight who was making his first ring start in an American ring. And the Brown Bomber was assigned to second Burrow.

Dupas gave Burrow a lesson in the manly art. Ralph hooked, jabbed and cuffed the German welterweight in practically each of the 10 rounds.

For the first time in years, all three officials tabbed the score alike. That is, Referee Marciano and Judges Augie Lapara and Eddie Wolfe gave Dupas a clean slate of all 10 rounds.

Dupas weighed 142 pounds to Burrow's 145½.

A small crowd of 2,981 fans who paid a net $8,414.20 gate turned out for the program. Kenny Decareaux was the victim of a raw decision in the six-round semi-final with Nolan Duplessis. Duplessis dropped Decareaux in the fifth round.

Marvin Tunnege, Mobile, defeated Jimmy Duvall in four rounds, while in other fours, Tick Tock Tucker stopped Jerry Boudreaux in one and Al Boudreaux defeated Carlos Savadre by a third round TKO.

IN "PACIFIC NORTHWEST" RINGS
By R. D. Casey

BOISE—SEATTLE'S VETERAN HEAVYWEIGHT HARRY KID MATTHEWS racked up a unanimous 10-round duke over Chief Alvin Williams of Kansas City. Matthews decked the rugged Indian twice to win handily.

Canadian middleweight Jackie Williams, Vancouver, B. C., scored a big upset when he stopped Dick Lane, rough and coming Billings cowboy in round five of a private war. Roque Maravilla, Nampa Idaho heavy prospect, stopped Ivan Johnson of Everett, Wash., in two.

▶ CASEY'S CORNER: The Northwest fistic fraternity was saddened by the passing of Alfred John "Tex" Salkeld of a heart attack. Tex was a long a N.W. figure in the ring game, doing most of his promoting in Portland, Oregon. . . . Deacon Jack Hurley has taken over the managerial reins of Big Bob Albright who holds a draw with Pat McMurtry.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

DALE HALL, 208, LOS ANGELES, EASILY beat inept Luther Brakefield, 191, Phoenix, in round two at Tucson. Fred Lewis, 168, Phoenix, knocked out Hal Boyer, 170, Tucson, in the second round. Jimmy Lasiter, 130, Los Angeles, TKOed Jimmy Vidal, 126, Tucson in the first. Bobby Murieta, 158, Tucson, won a TKO victory over Raul Montano, 160, Tucson, in the second.

▶ At Phoenix, Les Tenno, 172, Phoenix, pounded out a unanimous decision over Cliff Gray, 189, Tucson, in an eight rounder. Joe Phillips, 160, Glendale, Ariz., had only token opposition in winning a fourth round TKO from Jimmy Tucker, 155, Phoenix. Bobby O'Shea, 175, Los Angeles, making a comeback, suffered a third-round TKO loss to last-minute substitute Turkey Thomas, 174, Phoenix. Fred Lewis, 174, of Phoenix, stopped Junior Williams, 181, in the second round.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

TWO VERY FINE YOUNG MIDDLEWEIGHTS, JOE GRAY, DEARBORN, and Cowboy Ernie Smith, Pittsburgh, put on one of the finest bouts seen here in years when they clashed at the Motor City Arena. Both boys let go with their Sunday punches connecting throughout but neither would give an inch in the eight round slug-fest.

Undefeated Detroit welterweight, Ted Wright won his tenth straight victory over Billy Gillespie, of Benton Harbor in a sixer.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

DETERMINED FOR A BID AT THE WORLD'S LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE, crewcut Kenny Lane defeated Frankie Ryff in their nationally televised tangle at Miami in a ten rounder.

Southpaw Kenny worked the battle plan to near-perfection, taking full charge and using the better guns.

They provided the 1,433 customers, best turnout for Major W. H. Peeples, Jr., the promoter, with considerable action.

A corker of a semi-final saw Ray Estepa, 136¾, of Puerto Rico, and Alfonso Estrada, 137½, go to a draw in six. John Tombley, 146, Hialeah, engaged in a six round draw with Bobby Freeman, 148, Miami. Richard Argo, 132, Miami Beach, reached Art Montana, 135, Tampa, for a fourth round TKO. Bob Mack, 155, Hollywood, took four from Yussel Baronskey, 164¾, of Miami Beach. Joe Gilchrist, 130, Washington, D. C., wiped out Bobby Allen, 134¾, in the first stanza.

▶ Shooting left hooks to the head of Jimmy Beecham and rights to the body, brought Holly Mims, a surprise victory over favored Beecham at Miami Beach. Both waged a torrid tenner. Mims, who started off nicely, managed to end up the same way.

Jess Williams, 143, Denver, won a four from Billy Hall, 145½, Norwood, Ga. Ken McCurry, 119, Charlotte, N. C., TKO'ed Donnie Cates, 113½, Durham, N. C., in three heats. Curt Ennis, 135½, Durham, N. C., won a four from Boots Burkhalter, 137, Opalocka. The Chris Dundee show drew 1,722 fans and a gate of $3,521.

▶ At Miami Beach, Warnell Lester, 177½, missed by a hair to gain some recognition in the heavyweight picture. Three jumps ahead of Bob Satterfield, 185, for what would have been the 10 round decision, Lester fell victim to Satterfield's sudden return to life in the final round, knocked out after absorbing much punishment.

Gomeo Brennan, 146¼, TKO'ed Rocky Randell, 144¼, in the fifth. Richie Argo, 132, finished Bobby Allen, 134, in round three. Don Horner, 159½, TKO'ed Jim Phillips, 153, in three. Ken McCurry, 120½, took a four from John Kelly, 121¼, and Tino Fuerte, 140, annexed a four from Al DuBois, 134. Chris Dundee promoted. Attendance, 2,128; gate, $4,594.

▶ A small following of an estimated 400 fans were on hand for the opening of the Southern Welterweight Boxing Tournament, an idea of Major W. H. Peeples, Jr., the Miami promoter, to stimulate professional boxing in this area. The first eliminations saw Jimmy Peters, 150, Washington, D. C., knock out Bobby Freeman, 146½. Miami, in the fourth chapter; Willie (Kid) Johnson, 150, Miami, TKOing Gordon Van Loo, 146¾, in the fifth, and John L. Perry winning the decision over Aman Peck, 151, an action-filled eight rounder.

RING RATINGS EMBRACE The WORLD

By NAT FLEISCHER

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CHECKING the records of over 12,000 boxers of which 6,000 are competitors in North and South America and the remainder are active professionals in Great Britain, the Continent, Africa, Asia, Australia and New Zealand, analysis shows an increase in the number of fights engaged in and an abundance of new faces rising to a place of prominence.

Only one fighter earned a place by himself in a distinctive group. Archie Moore, despite his severe defeat at the hands of Floyd Patterson, as a heavyweight, had 11 successful fights and one exhibition, mostly against better than average heavyweights. He successfully defended his light heavyweight title against Yolande Pompey by coming from behind to knock out his challenger in the tenth round. His only loss of the year came at the hands of Patterson in a world heavyweight championship match. Not only the busiest title holder but also one of the busiest American fighters, Moore, as a light heavyweight still rates supreme in a class by himself.

In 1955 three fighters held this distinction but with the advent of a large new group of fighters the field has been more evenly leveled in all divisions. In 1955 Rocky Marciano, heavyweight champion of the world; Archie Moore, light heavyweight king; and Carmen Basilio, welter champ, were in a niche by themselves among the men in their respective divisions.

The past year shows an extremely high number of new faces among the numerically rated boxers. A survey of the past three years shows a resurgence of power among the numerical rated men.

In 1954 a total of 153 were in that class, in 1955 only 136 achieved such heights, but in 1956 the swing toward more rated fighters becomes evident with 147 such rankings. Of this number, 53 are new to the ratings, or, a total of 36½% of the total of numerically rated fighters are new to the rolls.

This would indicate a new interest in boxing and tend to disprove those skeptics intent on a lachrymose report of the future of boxing.

In most cases there was a direct ratio between the amount of action in a division and the turnover of newly ranked men. The flyweight class, least active of all divisions, lists only four new faces out of 14 rated men. An exception to the rule is the light heavyweight class, which was inactive on a worldwide basis, and shows a turnover of 9 out of 16 rated men. The bantamweights added 8 new faces out of 15. The feathers moved in 11 out of 23, lightweights 6 out of 20, the welterweight class turned over 6 out of 17 and the middleweights placed 11 out of 26 new faces.

Unlike 1955 when there were only 1768 fighters who had shown sufficient activity to be listed, this past year 3080 boxers have found their way into the select field of our ratings. The middleweight, welterweight and lightweight divisions lead the eight classes with the most number of active boxers. The lightweights were most plentiful with the welterweights and middleweights a close second and third.

The leaders in each division, as in 1955, were the champions of their respective classes. Not since 1954 has a champion of a division rated below any of his challengers. In that year Johnny Saxton, welter king, was rated below Carmen Basilio and Kid Gavilan.

In 1955 two champions of lower divisions attempted to wrest crowns from champs of higher divisions. Olson, a middleweight, unsuccessfully attempted to win the light heavyweight crown from Archie Moore and Moore in turn was unsuccessful in his try to gain the heavyweight championship from Rocky Marciano.

In 1956, only Moore, the light heavyweight king pin, attempted to win a crown of a higher class. He followed the recent pattern of men who failed in such attempts.

Prominent fighters who have taken a big drop from their 1955 annual positions include: Heavyweights: Ezzard Charles, who dropped from fifth to almost the bottom of the heap and who then retired of his own volition. Jimmy Slade of New York, Don Cockell, England, and Franco Cavicchi of Italy all who have lost their footing among the numerical listing.

Among the light heavyweights Harold Johnson skidded from five to thirteenth in the second grouping, Joey Maxim retired, Eddie Cotton of Seattle, Wash., Dave Whitlock of San Francisco, Calif., and Albert Finch of England all lost their places among the elite.

How the 1956 Top Men Compared with 1955's

HERE is a comparison of the No. 1 boxers in the latest world rankings and the runners-up and those of the previous year:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

1956—Floyd Patterson, Champion, and Tommy Jackson.
1955—Rocky Marciano, Champion, and Archie Moore.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

1956—Archie Moore, Champion, and Gerhard Hecht.
1955—Archie Moore, Champion, and Floyd Patterson.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

1956—Ray Robinson, Champion, and Gene Fullmer.
1955—Ray Robinson, Champion, and Carl Bobo Olson.

WELTERWEIGHTS

1956—Carmen Basilio, Champion, and Johnny Saxton.
1955—Carmen Basilio, Champion, and Johnny Saxton.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

1956—Joe Brown, Champion, and Duilio Loi.
1955—Wallace (Bud) Smith, Champion, and James Carter.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

1956—Sandy Saddler, Champion, and Cherif Hamia.
1955—Sandy Saddler, Champion, and Fred Galiana.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

1956—Mario D'Agata, Champion, and Raul (Raton) Macias.
1955—Robert Cohen, Champion, and Mario D'Agata.

FLYWEIGHTS

1956—Pascual Perez, Champion, and Memo Diez.
1955—Pascual Perez, Champion, and Leo Espinosa.

Outstanding among the middleweights is the case of Carl Bobo Olson, who from a place of the outstanding contender dropped like a plummet to oblivion and retirement. Eduardo Lausse, Argentinian, also retired after losing his South American title. Bobby Dykes slipped from the magic circle and Gustav Scholz of Germany retired from the ring. Gil Turner and Georgie Johnson lost their holds on the numerical ratings.

Of the men near the top, few of the welterweights were sandbagged by fate. Del Flanagan dropped out from seventh position and has since been fighting as a middleweight. Maurice Harper, Oakland, Calif., has been dropped due to inactivity induced by difficulties with the law. Hector Constance of Trinidad, has fought his way out of the numerical standings.

Since last year the following lightweights have lost their holds on positions in the first eighteen: Eddie Chavez of San Jose, California; Seraphin Ferrer of France; Arthur Persley, Red Crosse, La.; Paddy DeMarco, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Don Jordan of Los Angeles, Calif.

Fred Galiana, Spanish featherweight hit the skids with a slide from second place right out of the ratings.

Two more feathers, Teddy Davis of Hartford, Conn., and Lauro Salas of Mexico, travelled the same roads, drifting from seven and ten respectively, right down into the alphabetical listings.

Robert Cohen took the biggest drop of all the bantamweights and his retirement saw him in seventh place after reigning as champ of his division. France's Hilaire Pratesi, rated fourth in 1955, retired from the wars and Andre Valignat who held down sixth place is now fighting as a featherweight and is unrated.

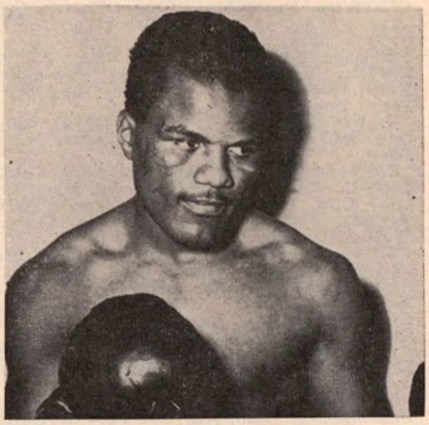
Among the flyweights the only fighter to drop out of the first ten were Leo Espinosa of the Philippines and Tanny Campo, both now fighting as bantamweights and Nazzareno Gianelli of Italy who lost his hold on ninth position.

Our readers are alerted that in compiling these ratings no consideration is given to contests fought previous to 1956. We do not play favorites and do not allow sentiment to play any part in our selections.

In making these selections The Ring Editor in Chief is aided by his staff of experts on the basis of a survey of every fight had by every boxer.

All fighters listed in the alphabetical ratings are considered to be on a par within each letter group. As in the past fighters who were prominent in their class and retired during the year have been awarded a rating. Retired fighters who were above the average received a numerical rating while others who fought in more than two contests have been rated in groups alphabetically.

The ratings follow for 1956:



TOMMY JACKSON

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)
World Champion
Floyd Patterson, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Group I
1–Floyd Patterson, Brooklyn, N. Y.
2–Tommy Jackson, Far Rockaway,
3–Archie Moore, San Diego, Calif.
4–Harold Carter, Linden, N. J.
5–Eddie Machen, Redding, Calif.
6–Willie Pastrano, New Orleans, La.
7–Bob Baker, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Group II
1–Bob Satterfield, Chicago, Ill.
2–Ingemar Johansson, Sweden
3–John Holman, Chicago, Ill.
4–Zora Folley, Chandler, Arizona
5–Joe Erskine, Wales
6–Wayne Bethea, New York, N. Y.
7–Johnny Summerlin, Detroit, Mich.
8–Nino Valdes, Cuba
9–Pat McMurtry, Tacoma, Wash.
10–Ezzard Charles, Cincinnati, O. (Retired)

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Class A

Bacilieri, Uber, Italy; Brady, Ken, Australia; Bygraves, Joe, Jamaica, B.W.I.; Cavicchi, Franco, Italy; Chapman, Claude, Cambridge, Mass.

Cooper, Henry, England; Friedrich, Hans, Germany; Johnson, Young Jack, Los An-Cleveland, O.; Neuhaus, Heinz, Germany; Lave, Kitione, Tonga.

Layne, Rex, Salt Lake City, Utah; Matthews, Harry, Seattle, Wash.; Maxim, Joey, Cleveland, O.; Neuhaus, Heinz, Germany; Parker, James J., Canada; Richardson, Dick, England; Slade, Jimmy, New York, N. Y.

Class B

Adams, Ansel, Trinidad, B.W.I.; Albright, Bob, Los Angeles, Calif.; Alfonsetti, Gianni, Italy; Arthur, Johnny, South Africa; Aubignat, Michel, France; Ayankin, Simon, Senegal.

Bates, Peter, England; Bau, Joveci, Fiji Islands; Bean, Willie, Hollywood, Calif.; Bernard, Al, Belgium.

Brendemuhl, Hans, Germany; Bro, Jacques, France; Burgo, Manuel, England; Cestac, Abel, Argentina; Cherville, Alain, Belgium.

Chuvalo, George, Canada; Cockell, Don, England; Coeuret, Francis, France; Cooper, Jim, England; D'Alessio, Eugene, France; DiPersio, Mario, Italy; Duquesne, Robert, France; Eugene, Robert, Belgium.

Friso, Federico, Italy; Gardner, Jack, England; Gonzales, Jose, Spain; Harman, Ron, England; Harris, Roy, Cut and Shoot, Texas.

Hughes, Ernie, Australia; Jasper, Don, Duluth, Minn.; King, Howard, Reno, Nevada; Kohlbrecher, Wilson, Germany; Lapourielle, Michel, France; Lincoln, Amos, Portland, Oregon; London, Brian, England; Luise, Giannino, Italy; McBride, Archie, Trenton, N. J.

Mederos, Julio, Cuba; Miteff, Alex, Argentina; Mols, Maurice, France; Moore, George, Detroit, Mich.

Norkus, Charlie, Port Washington, N. Y. Parmentier, George, Eureka, Calif.; Pellegrini, Aldo, Italy; Peyre, Jose, Belgium; Powell, Charley, San Francisco, Calif.; Purnell, Cliff, England.

Rischer, Roger, Oakland, Calif.; Rode, Gerhard, Germany; Rowan, Joey, Phoenixville, Pa.; Sabedong, Duke, Hawaii; Senn, Alois, Austria; Strocchio, Jacques, France.

Thomas, Benny, Memphis, Tenn.; Turman, Buddy, Tyler, Texas; Turner, Howie, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Vargas, Ruben, San Francisco, Calif.

Vidal, Emile, France; Ward, Fenrick, Trinidad, B. W. I.; Westphal, Albert, Germany; Williams, Alan, Australia; Williams, Johnny, England; Wills, Young Harry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Wise, Ben, Oakland, Calif.; Woodall, Bob, Boston, Mass.

Class C

Alonzo, Jess, San Antonio, Texas; Allevi, Bonino, Italy; Antonio, Felix, Dayton, Ohio.

Baily, Dave, Philadelphia, Pa.; Biehler, Bob, Rochester, N. Y.; Bramaham, Joe, Burlington, N. J.; Breshears, Harley, Parma, Idaho; Burks, Lajuin, Port Arthur, Texas; Butcher, Bob, San Francisco, Calif.; Butler, Calvin, Cleveland, O.

Cab, Ernie, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ceremonia, Alex, France; Chalono, Ernest, France; DeJohn, Mike, Syracuse, N. Y.; Dyer, Jeff, Springfield, Mass.; Fala, Fernando, Phila delphia, Pa.

Gagliardo, Tony, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Harper, Johnny, Steubenville, O.; Hearn, Eddie, England; Herold, Horst, Germany; Hollins, Johnny, Austin, Texas; Jacobs, Jack, Newark, N. J.; Kartalian, George, Syracuse, N. Y.;

Lane, Al, Chicago, Ill.; Limage, Marcel, Belgium; Louis, Joe III, Richmond, Calif.; Mariani, Frank, France; Marshall, J. D. Shreveport, La.; Martinez, Ramon, Spain; Mayorga, Art, Youngstown, O.

Meredith, Cecil, Australia; Moran, Jim, England; Naufahu, George, Tonga; Norris, Chubby, Philadelphia, Pa.; Nurnberg, Gunter, Germany.

O'Brien, Bob, New York, N. Y.; Peaks, Sid, St. Albans, N. Y.; Peele, Crowe, Baton, Rouge, La.; Pharo, Oscar, Birmingham; Ala.; Powell, Fred, England.

Que, Charley, Los Angeles, Calif.; Roy, Dave, Canada; Saunders, Jimmy, Canada; Sawyer, Garvin, Cincinnati, O.; Schiegl, Kurt, Austria; Scrivens, Bob, Sacramento, Calif.; Seelisch, Heinz, Germany; Slavin, Paddy, Ireland; Snell, Trevor, Wales; Spencer, Bernie, Westover, Mass.; Turiano, Augie, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Warmbrunn, Robert, Germany; Weigand, Werner, Luxembourg; White, Gene, St. Paul, Minn.

Womochil, Wayne, Omaha, Nebraska; Wyns, Andre, Belgium; York, Johnny, Norristown, Pa.; Zuany, Alfredo, Mexico.

Class D

Anderson, Cliff, Syracuse, N. Y.; Antrillo, Tony, Philadelphia, Pa.; Arwood, Pete, Nashville, Tenn.; Atley, Earl, Kennett Square, Pa.

Bee, Jay, Trenton, N. J.; Black, Tommy, Bridgeport, Conn.; Bolden, Norman, Detroit, Mich.; Bond, Andy, Detroit, Mich.; Brooks, Rico, Fresno, Cal.; Brtko, Emil, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Bullock, Roy, Freeport, N. Y.; Busby. Tom, Stead, Cal.

Cato, Eddie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Chicazola, Red, New Orleans, La.; Fields, Tommy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Finch, Shelly, White Plains, N. Y.; Fitzgearld, Coranzor, Omaha, Neb.; Ford, Dave, Sacramento, Calif.

Gamble, Baker, Houston, Texas; Graves, Bob, Elizabeth, N. J.; Griffin, Juluis, New York, N. Y.; Gulat, Willie, Miami, Fla.

Hall, Jim, Los Angeles, Calif.; Henry, John, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Hobart, John, Niles, O.; Holly, Hurricane, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hoye, Johnny, Boston, Mass.; Hunt, Babe, Oakland, Calif.

Jenkins, Vern, Seattle, Wash.; Johnson, Ivan, Everett, Wash.; Jones, Charlie, Newark, N. J.; Jones, Ward, Lawrence, Kansas.

Lee, Willie, San Antonio, Texas; McCann, Dennis, Hartford, Conn.; McTier, Solomon, Montgomery, Ala.

Matthews, Matty, New York, N. Y.; Mays, John, Los Angeles, Calif.; Merino, Leo, Oakland Calif.

Petras, Leo, Bayonne, N. J.; Pope, Willie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Rhodes, Obie, New York, N. Y.; Richards, Len, Detroit, Mich.

Robataille, Red, Springfield, Mass.; Stasio,

Joe, New York, N. Y.; Sorrels, Terry, Los Angeles, Calif.

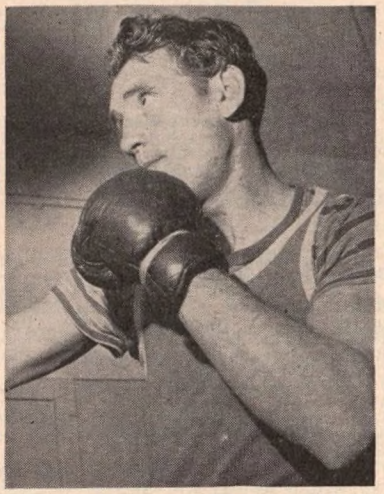
Tanner, Dick, Oakland, Calif.; Tavares, George, Caldwell, Idaho; Taylor, Jim, Atlantic City, N. J.; Thompson, Gene, St. Paul, Minn.

Toogood, Marne, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tucker, Don, Tyler, Texas; Valeburg, Dale, Virgina Minn.

Wagner, Jack, Morton, Minn.; Walker, Oliver, Ft. Pierce, Fla.; Washington, George, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Welton, Chuck, Newark, N. J.

Williams, Clarence, Los Angeles, Calif.; Williams, J. W. Detroit, Mich.; Woods, George, Los Angeles, Calif.; Woods, Joe, Stony Brook, Mass.

Woodson, Harold, San Antonio, Texas; Zasada. Dick, St. Paul, Minn.



HANS STRETZ

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion
Archie Moore, San Diego, Calif.

Group I

1–Archie Moore, San Diego, Calif.

Group II

1–Gerhart Hecht, Germany
2–Hans Stretz, Germany
3–Chuck Spieser, Lansing, Mich.
4–Yolande Pompey, Trinidad, BWI.
5–Tony Anthony, New York, N. Y.
6–Willi Besmanoff, Germany
7–Charles Colin, France
8–Willi Hoepner, Germany
9–Gordon Wallace, Canada
10–Dogomar Martinez, Uruguay
11–Ron Barton, England (Retired)
12–Marty Marshall, Detroit, Mich.
13–Harold Johnson, Philadelphia, Pa.
14–Artie Towne, New York, N. Y.
15–Randy Turpin, England

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Class A

Brad, Calvin, Los Angeles, Calif.; Buxton, Alex, England; Calzaverra, Artenio, Italy; Durelle, Yvon, Canada; Finch, Albert, England; Fleeman, Donnie, Dallas, Texas.

Green, Alvin, Houston, Texas; Hack, Erwin, Germany; Halifihi, Johnny, Tonga; Hinnant, Clarence, Washington, D. C.; Howard, Arthur, England; Lane, Bobby, Kannapolis, N. C.

Johnson, Tony, New York, N. Y.; Kilgore, Billy, Miami, Fla.; Persey, Jim, Miami, Fla.; Snoek, Wim, Holland.

Class B

Allotey, Al, Gold Coast; Baccheschi, Dominico, Italy; Bagnoli, Cesare, Italy; Beaton, Charley, New Zealand.

Bocick, Wenzel, Germany; Boulgroune, Ahmed, Algeria; Burchi, Sergio, Italy.

Carreras, Julio, Cuba; Chase, Charlie, Canada; DeFendis, Angelo, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Cottyn, Andre, Belgium.

Demars, Eddie, Springfield, Mass.; Denny, Garnett, Ireland; D'ottavio, Alessandro, Italy; Dorsey, Joe, New Orleans, La.; Dove, Tony, England.

DuPreeze, Tommy, South Africa; Ellis, Don, Atlantic City, N. J.; Fontana, Ivano, Italy.

Hernandez, Ruben, San Francisco, Calif.; Jackson, Fred, England; Jackson, Matt, Salt Lake City, Utah; Janilli, Fernando, Italy; Janssen, Uwe, Germany; Jarosch, George, West Allis, Wis.

Klyssens, Pedro, Holland; Langford, Sammy, Nigeria; London, Jack, England.

Marcos, Ricardo, Australia; Marsille, Max, Belgium; Mazzola, Bruno, Italy; Mena, Domingo, Canary Islands; Menozzi, Gino, Italy; Milandri, Widmer, Italy.

Napoles, Miguel, Cuba; Panter, Garth, Salt Lake City , Utah; Ravula, Mike Fiji Islands; Rowlands, Ken, Wales.

Schagen, Willy, Holland; Schmidt, Ray, Luxembourg, Shoppner, Erich, Germany; Scott, Albert, South Africa; Smith, Ed (Polly), Bermuda; Stanley, Abe, England.

Taylor, Harvey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Tessier, Andre, Springfield, Mass.

Warusfel, Ildephonse, France; Wiley, Roger, Beverly, Mass.; Williams, Alvin, Kansas City, Kansas.

Class C

Abbott, Jackie, England; Aldridge, Peter, England; Assogna, Sandy, Australia; Augustus, Ray, Topeka, Kansas.

Baldini, Pierto, Italy; Barthelemy, Serge, France; Bettazoni, Giancarlo, Italy; Bullard, Johnny, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Cheatham, Ennis, Dallas, Texas; Cosgrove, Bob, Miami, Fla.

DeBruin, Snucky, Holland; DeFazio, Tony, Pheonix, Arizona; Degreef, Emile, Belgian Congo; Dittrich, Ray, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Domebo, Andy, San Jose, Calif.; Doncaster, Ted, Canada.

Emery, Burke, Canada; Floyd, Clarence, New York, N. Y.; Garafola, Gary, Jersey City, N. J.; Hayden, Johnny, Phoenix, Ariz.; Hett, Sonny, Salem, Oregon; Howell Chuck, San Francisco, Calif.

Jenkins, Eddie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Johnson, Johnny, New Orleans, La.; King, Bobby, Boston, Mass.; King, Jackie, Washington, Pa.

Lawson, Frank, San Antonio, Texas; Lewis, Fred, Phoenix, Ariz.; Lotriet, Stan, South Africa; McAteer, Don, Paterson, N. J.; McGary, Frank, Chicago, Ill.

Malone, Lonnie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Maravilla, Roque, Nampa, Idaho; Mellor, Clarke, England; Meneghini, Orfeo, Italy; Metcalfe, Eric, England; Miller, Art, New York, N. Y.; Moran, Joe, San Antonio, Texas.

Navarro, Bautista, Spain; Neves, Julio, Portugal; Niche, Horst, Germany; Nilsson, Gunnar, Sweden.

Pacini, Bernardo, France; Perry, Lou, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Picot, Tinker, Boston, Mass.; Poole, Ted, Wichita, Kansas; Randell, Roland, Washington, D. C.; Reynolds, Jimmy (Monk), Washington, D. C.

Riggins, John, Detroit, Mich.; Rindel, Terry, St. Paul, Minn.; Roberts, Pat, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rocci, Lorenzo, Italy; Rowe, Neville, England; Sachs, Heinz, Germany; Saxton, Phil, Elizabeth, N. J.

Sims, Tommy, Fresno, Calif.; Sixto, Kid, Oakland, Calif.; Smith, Johnny, England; Starosch, Leo, Austria; Strauch, Colin, South Africa.

Tessier, Gerry, Springfield, Mass.; Thornton, Jim, Boston, Mass.; Thomas, Joe, Elizabeth, N. J.; Trigg, Noel, Wales.

Vann, Elroy, San Antonio, Texas; Viator, Bill, New Iberia, La.; Villa, Tommy, DeCoto, Calif.; Whitfield, Jim, Philadelphia; Williams, Rudy, New York, N. Y.

Class D

Anderson, Cy, East Orange, N. J.; Anderson, Paul, Los Angeles, Calif.; Belsico, Ray, Worcester, Mass.; Black, Charlie, Athens, Texas.; Boyd, Willis, Chicago, Ill.; Brenby, Clyde, San Jose, Calif.; Brown, Joe, Canada.

Carroll, John, Oakland, Calif.; Danetti, Tommy, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dixon, Bill, Shreveport, La.; Duncan, Eugene, Toledo, O.

Garcia, Jimmy, Puerto Rico; Greenhill, John, Durham, N. C.; Haynes, Frank, Los Angeles, Calif.; Henderson, Eddie, Jersey City, N. J.; Henderson, Elvin, Los Angeles, Calif.; Holman, Jerry, Brooklyn, N. Y.

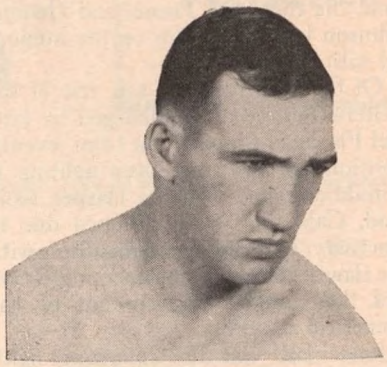
Jackson, Al, Oakland, Calif.; Jackson, James, Fresno, Calif.; James, Johnny, Newark, N. J.; Jones, Cordell, Reno, Nevada.

Kramer, Danny, Los Angeles, Calif.; Leddy, Jack, East Hampton, N. Y.; Lee, Willie, New Orleans, La.; Lincoln, Carlton, Portland, Oregon; Love, Johnny, New Britain, Conn.

Mack, Joe, San Diego, Calif.; Martin, Teddy, Sacramento, Calif.; Milton, Freddy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Morasco, Frank, Syracuse, N. Y.; Pelzer, Ted, St. Paul, Minn.

Ratliff, Monroe, Los Angeles, Calif.; Reeves, Joe, Guild, Tenn.; Ricks, Bill, San Francisco, Calif.; Salas, Johnny, Mountain View, Calif.; Stewart, Dick, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tatro, Don, Paterson, N. J.; Thomas, Turkey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Turner, Nick, Los Angeles, Calif.

Valle, Joe, Tucson, Arizona; White, Al, Los Angeles, Calif.; Williams, James, Longview, Texas.



GENE FULLMER

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion
Ray Robinson, New York, N. Y.

Group I

1–Ray Robinson, New York, N. Y.
2–Gene Fullmer, West Jordan, Utah
3–Charley Humez, France
4–Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Yonkers, N. Y.
5–Rory Calhoun, White Plains, N. Y.
6–Ellsworth (Spider) Webb, Chicago, Ill.
7–Joey Giardello, Philadelphia, Pa.
8–Neal Rivers, Las Vegas, Nevada
9–Bobby Boyd, Chicago, Ill.
10–Charley Joseph, New Orleans, La.
11–Joey Giambra, Buffalo, N. Y.
12–Rocky Castellani, Cleveland, O.

Group II

1–Carl (Bobo) Olson, Honolulu, T. H. (Retired)
2–Willie Vaughn, Los Angeles, Calif.
3–Holly Mims, Washington, D. C.
4–Eduardo Lausse, Argentina (Retired)
5–Franz Szuzina, Germany
6–Milo Savage, Salt Lake City, Utah
7–Charlie Cotton, Toledo, O.
8–Pat McAteer, England
9–Jimmy Elliott, South Africa
10–Tiberio Mitri, Italy
11–Andres Selpa, Argentina
12–Randy Sandy, New York, N. Y.
13–Johnny Sullivan, England
14–Yama Bahama, Bahama

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Allen, Les, England; Ballarin, Germinal, France; Beazley, Billy, New Zealand; Beecham, Jimmy, Miami, Fla.; Bengtsson Olle, Sweden; Bouchez, Richard, Belgium Brown, Barry, New Zealand; Caraci, Remo,

Italy; Castro, Jorge, Mexico; Coluzzi, Luigi, Italy.

Cook, Clarence, Bastrop, La.; Drille, Andre, France; Durando, Ernie, Bayonne, N. J.; Dykes, Bobby, Miami, Fla.

Festucci, Franco, Italy; Flanagan, Del, St. Paul, Minn.

Green, Charlie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Guivarch, Robert, France.

Hansen, Martin, England; Hernandez, Chebo, Mexico; Holt, Mike, South Africa; Jansen, Leen, Holland; Johnson, Georgie, Trenton, N. J.; Lavoine, Gilbert, France; Linares, Baby, Cuba.

Martinez, Jimmy, Glendale, Arizona; Mazzinghi, Guido, Italy; Muller, Peter, Germany; Nando, Sugar Boy, Aruba, NWI.

Pigou, Marcel, France; Resch, Max, Germany; Scortichini, Italo, Italy; Smith, Eddie, Detroit, Mich.

Trochon, Louis, France; Troy, Willie, Washington, D. C.; Turner, Gil, Philadelphia, Pa.; Vejar, Chico, Stamford, Conn.

Class B

Albanese, Tino, France; Alcantara, Constant, Senegal; Allison, Barry, Westover, Mass.; Amrane, Ali, Algeria; Anderson, Jay, Philadelphia, Pa.

Andrews, Al, St. Paul, Minn.; Andrews, Eddie, Lowell, Mass.; Anewy, Francois, Senegal; Armstrong, Willie, Scotland; Assaga, Gabriel, France.

Baldoni, Tony, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Balkacem, Ali, Algeria; Belli, Bernard, France; Boi, Salvatore, Italy; Brisci, Angelo, Italy; Brown, Dalfus, Hawaii; Bucher, Karl-Heinz, Germany; Caea, Doudi, Numea; Caesar, Julius, South Africa; Calabrese, Gianni, Italy; Castles, Harry, Australia; Chiesa, Aldo, Italy; Christensen, Chris, Denmark; Clancy, Eddie, New Zealand; Clues, Kevin, Australia; Damiami, Joe, Australia.

Diouf, Michel, Senegal; Dodoo, Harry, Gold Coast; Douglas, Johnny, Australia; Drake, Ray, Far Rockaway, N. Y.; Dussart, Kid, Belgium.

Edwards, Phil, Wales; Ellaway, Billy, England; Fahrad, Salab ben, Tunis; Ferdinand, Esau, San Francisco, Calif.; Francis, Francesco, Spain.

Gonzales, Tony (Tex), Orange, N. J.; Greaves, Wilf, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Grogan, Clarrie, Australia; Grogan, Harry, Australia; Hamilton, Sammy, Ireland; Hanna, Mike, New Zealand; Hegerle, Jim, St. Paul, Minn.

Jannsens, Jo, Belgium; Johnson, Don, Australia; Jones, Tim, Plainfield, N. J.; Kelly, Richard, Florence, S. C.; Kid, Georgia, Augusta, Ga.; Knowles, George, Nassau; La-Bua, Jackie, East Meadows, N. Y.; Lamers, Jo, Holland; Lane, Dick, Billings, Montana; Laurent, Mickey, France; Lavery, George, Ireland; Lazar, Lew, England; Leveque, Serge, France; Litzow, Rod, Australia; Lopez, Domingo, Spain; Luedee, Jerry, New Haven, Conn.

Janssens, Jo, Belgium; Johnson, Don, Australia; Martinnera, Manoel, Portugal; McDonnell, Billy, Australia; Milazzo, Claude, Tunis; Mocques, Ray, France; Morris, Jimmy, Miami, Fla.

Newman, Jimmy, England; Nocero, Rinzi, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Onuki, Teruo, Japan.

Paccagnella, Umberto, France; Paulino, Young, Philippines; Poisson, Jean-Claude, France; Pompey, Kit, British Guiana; Provizzi, Bob, Freeland, Pa.

Roe, George, England; Rossi, Gino, Italy; Rubicini, Gus, Canada; Ruellet, Jean, France.

Sanders, Bobby, Australia; Sattler, Heinz, Germany; Schellin, Cliff, Reno, Nevada; Schmolze, Joe, Minneapolis, Minn.

Smallwood, Hardy, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Soodman, Herbert, Germany; Spallotta, Fernando, Italy; Stewart, Clive, Australia; Tani, Noboru, Japan.

Tatsumi, Hochiro, Japan; Thomas, Eddie, South Africa; Tirel, Marcel, France; Turner, Jesse, St. Louis, Mo.; Varona, Chico, Cuba; Walker, Sammy, Springfield, Mass.

Ward, Moses, Detroit, Mich.; Williams, Don, Worcester, Mass.; Wohlers, Hans-Werner, Germany; Yao, Kouani, Senegal.

Class C

Adams, Pete, Newark, N. J.; Allegue, Angelo, New York, N. Y.; Allen, Leroy, Paterson, N. J.; Alotta, Frank, Allentown, Pa.; Anderson, Kenny, Edmonton, Canada; Anselm, Frankie (Kid), Philadelphia, Pa.; Atlan, Roger, France; Baglio, Joe, New York, N. Y.

Boddie, George, Dayton, O.; Boyd, Snowy, Australia; Bradley, Pero, New Orleans, La.; Brand, Alois, Germany; Brewer, Joe, Fresno, Calif.; Bruce, Curtis, Newark, N. J.; Burton, Henry, Monroe, La.; Burse, Norris, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Cantu, Vicente, Mexico; Casey, Hank, San Francisco, Calif.; Chimenti, George, New York, N. Y.

Citizen, Connie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Cofle, Jack Johnson, Gold Coast; Collings, Bill, Australia; Cruz, Abe, Chicago, Ill.; Dal Piaz, Aristide, Italy.

Darlington, Harold, Philadelphia, Pa.; Davis, Calvin, New York, N. Y.; Davis, Hank, Tucson, Ariz.; Davis, Rusty, Providence, R. I.; Dellova, Nick, Long Island City, N. Y.

Earls, Lester, Austin, Texas; Echavarria, Vincente, Spain; Ellis, Rudy, South Haven, Mich.

Faverzani, Mario, Italy; Fenton, Kid, Aruba, NWI.; Flash, Joe, South Africa; Flores, Sal, San Francisco, Calif.; Fraser, Gerry, New York, N. Y.; Frazier, Cleo, Stockton, Calif.

Gill, Sonny, Oakland, Calif.; Glass, Art, Dayton, O.; Glover, Charlie, Cincinnati, O.; Gonzales, Pete, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gray, Joe, Dearborn, Mich.; Green, Leroy, Kansas City, Kansas; Gutierrez, Santos (Firpo), Mexico.

Hank, Henry, Detroit, Mich.; Harrell, George, New York, N. Y.; Hauser, Al, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hinojosa, Gilberto, San Antonio, Texas; Hopkins, Jimmy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Horner, Don, Monmouth, Arizona; Houston, Cal, Los Angeles, Calif.; Houston, John, Oakland, Calif.

Jackson, Bobby, Cleveland, O.; Jenkins, Maurice, Newark, N. J.; Jones, Al, St. Louis, Mo.; Jones, Bobby, Bossier City, La.; Jordan, Henry, Allentown, Pa.

Kaheaku, Johnny, Hawaii; Khelfa, Said, Algeria; King, George (Boyd Rogers), Dallas, Texas; King, Ricardo, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Kurtz, Monroe, Newark, N. J.; Lewis, Gene, Miami, Fla.; Linner, Abe, Chicago, Ill.; Lortez, Al, San Francisco, Calif.; McCallum, Spider, Missoula, Montana; McCoy, Al, Garland, Texas; McGrath, Mickey, Greenwich, Conn.; McNally, Gerry, England.

Madella, Dante, Italy; Maldonado, Larry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Marcello, Steve, Providence, R. I.; Martinez, Carlos, Mexico; Matthews, Taffy, Australia; Mayfield, Andy, Miami, Fla.

Micheaux, Stan, Rahway, N. J.; Mikus, Pran, Australia; Milne, Ron, Spokane, Wash.; Mobley, Al, Newark, N. J.; Mourros, Louis, France.

Neal, Johnny, Milwaukee, Wis.; Necro, Tony, Warren., O.; Olivares, Victoriano, Spain; Owens, Leo, Syracuse, N. Y.

Penn, John Victor, Houston, Texas; Perea, Sal, San Francisco, Calif.; Perez, Danny, Costa Mesa, Calif.; Perez, Ray, El Paso, Texas; Pomare, Juan, New York, N. Y.; Priest, Billy, Cambridge, Mass.

Remson, James, Detroit, Mich.; Rizzo, Phil, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Robinson, Jim, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rodriguez, Guatrero, Mexico; Romano, Roland, Tunis; Rossie, Bob, Council Bluffs, Ia.; Rush, Buddy, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Sauvage, Rene, France; Sims, Eddie, Chicago, Ill.; Skinner, Jimmy, New York, N. Y.; Slater, Rocky, San Diego, Calif.; Sowa, Herbert, Germany; Stanich, Lou, Youngstown, O.; Stokes, Ralph, Coatsville, Pa.; Strina, Alvaro, Italy.

Taki, Ziyaris, Turkey; Tate, Bill, Chicago, Ill.; Terry, Fred, Philadelphia, Pa.; Thompson, Eddie, New York, N. Y.; Van Rooyen, Chris, South Africa; Villa, Luis, Cuba.

Watkins, Rudy, Baltimore, Md.; Webber, Don, Tilton, N. H.; Whitfield, Archie, New York, N. Y.; Williams, Al (Tiger), Los Angeles, Calif.; Williams, Sherman, Louisville, Ky.; Woodard, Otis, New York, N. Y.; Zacatecas, Kid, Mexico.

Class D

Alonzo, Tunney, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bailey, Herschel, San Francisco, Calif.; Barba, John, Los Angeles, Calif.; Belloni, Kid, Newark, N. J.; Berg, Tommy, Seattle, Wash.

Blickney, Herman, Philadelphia, Pa.; Broden, Bernie, New Britain, Conn.; Boykins, Ernie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Boykins, Sonny, Westover, Mass.; Bratton, Baby, Philadelphia, Pa.; Bridgeforth, Ernie, New York, N. Y.; Bronko, Henry, Detroit, Mich.; Brooks, Joey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Brown, Mickey, Houston, Texas.

Cantino, Sal, Boston, Mass.; Craig, Lou, Monroe, Mich.; Clyde, Johnny, Philadelphia, Pa.; Cobra, Randy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Creary, Tom, New York, N. Y.

Davis, Ernie, Corpus Christi, Texas; Davis, Joe, Kansas City, Kansas; Deaton, Benny, Durham, N. C.

DeLaurio, Ernie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dixon, Art, Los Angeles, Calif.; Dynamite, Big, Washington, D. C.; Ebbs, Milton, Newark, N. J.

Freeman, Ace, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Frye, Joe, Long Island City, N. Y.; Galloway, Paul, Los Angeles, Calif.; George, Edmund, New York, N. Y.; Glennon, New York, N. Y.

Godfrey, Bill, Greenville, S. C.; Gomez, Bobby, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gonzales, Andres, Cuba; Grant, Dave, Boston, Mass.; Gray, Jesse, Chicago, Ill.; Grey, Earl, New Orleans, La.

Halsey, Bull, Oakland, Calif.; Hamilton, Gene, New York, N. Y.; Henderson, Wally, Jersey City, N. J.; Hendricks, Tony, Canada; Holmes, Big Boy, Phoenix, Ariz.

Ish, Nathan, Phoenix, Ariz.; Jackson, Al, Reno, Nevada; Jackson, Jule, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jones, Arthur, Houston, Texas; Jones, Herb, Los Angeles, Calif.

Jordan, JoJo, Miami, Fla.; Josie, Dobie, Springfield, Mass.; Kalo, Al, Baltimore, Md.; Klier, Bob, Paterson, N. J.; LaQuartra, Jack, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Lee, Howard, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Lee, Jackie, Plainfield, N. J.; Lewis, Willie, Sacramento, Calif.; Lewis, YoYo, Seattle, Wash.; Livingston, Chick, Canada; Lowery, Dick, College Point, N. Y.

McCarron, Babe, Bangor, Me.; Marshall, Columbus, Tyler, Texas; Marvel, Dave, Norristown, Pa.; Mason, Benny, St. Paul, Minn.

Mazurk, Steve, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Montana, Tony, Phoenix, Arizona; Montanez, Ricardo, Los Angeles, Cal.; Montella, Billy, Long Island City, N. Y.; Moon, Willie, Oakland, Calif.; Moore, Del, Los Angeles, Calif.

Neal, Joe, Vallejo, Calif.; Noriega, Al, Seattle, Wash.; Rapino, Frankie, Reading, Pa.; Redman, Harold, Beaumont, Texas; Reo, Sal, Bayonne, N. J.; Richow, Billy, New York, N. Y.

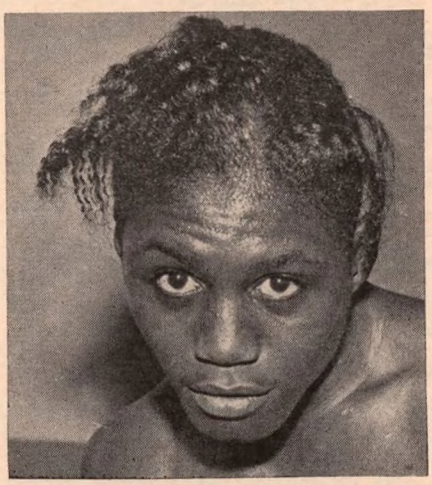
Salvato, Joe, Yonkers, N. Y.; Santiago, Tony, New York, N. Y.; Sazera, Charlie, Birmingham, Ala.

Seals, Sammy, Hollywood, Calif.; Silver, Jackie, New York, N. Y.; Simmons, Willie, Richmond, Calif.; Stone, Sammy, Miami, Fla.; Schwartz, Howie, Cincinnati, O.; Sheppard, Chet, Oakland, Calif.

Tate, Carl, Dallas, Texas; Thatch, Irwin, East St. Louis, Ill.; Torres, Nelson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Traitz, Steve, Philadelphia, Pa.; Trejo, Ralph, Superior, Arizona; Turner, Art, Detroit, Mich.; Tyree, Billy, Omaha, Nebraska.

Walker, Benny, Oakland, Calif.; Walker, Richard, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Walker, Leffie, Saginaw, Mich.; Washington, Joe, Philadelphia, Pa.; Wayne, Kel, Portland, Oregon; Webster, Johnny, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Wilkins, Dave, Waco, Texas; Williams, Lee, New York, N. Y.; Williams, Robert, New York, N. Y.; Wright, Eddie, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Zotto, Iggy, New York, N. Y.



JOHNNY SAXTON

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion
Carmen Basilio, Syracuse, N. Y.

Group I
1–Carmen Basilio, Syracuse, N. Y.
2–Johnny Saxton, Brooklyn, N. Y.
3–Tony DeMarco, Boston, Mass.
4–Art Aragon, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Isaac Logart, Cuba
6–Gaspar Ortega, Mexico
7–Virgil Akins, St. Louis, Mo.
8–Vince Martinez, Paterson, N. J.

Group II
1–Joe Miceli, New York, N. Y.
2–Ramon Fuentes, Los Angeles, Calif.
3–Emilio Marconi, Italy
4–George Barnes, Australia

5—Clarence (Duke) Harris, Detroit, Mich.
6—Darby Brown, Australia
7—Kid Gavilan, Cuba
8—Peter Waterman, England
9—Charley (Tombstone) Smith, Los Angeles, Calif.

Boxers listed below are grouped in general classification, and in alphabetical order. Those in each class are rated about on a par.

Class A

Azteca, Kid, Mexico; Baker, Larry, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Benedetto, Valere, France; Buker, Ben II, Spain; Burrow, Siegfried, Germany; Byars, Walter, Boston, Mass.

Chiocca, Sauveur, France; Constance, Hector, Trinidad, BWI.; Dione, Idrissa, France; Edwin, Jose, Panama.

Espana, Ismael, Venezuela; Fernandez, Jorge, Argentina; Fichique, Kid, Cuba; Fukuchi, Kenzi, Japan; Garbelli, Giancarlo, Italy; Gil, Cirilo, Argentina; Giovanelli, Danny, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Goldstein, Dick, Santa Monica, Calif.; Hart, Garnett (Sugar), Philadelphia, Pa.; Hase, Gunter, Germany.

Jimenez, Julio Cesar, Mexico; Johnson, Frank, England; King, Arthur, Canada; Movdinot, Pierre, France.

Lombardet, Michel, France; Lowry, Pat, Toledo, O.; Manuel, Sandy, Nigeria; Nieuwenhuizen, Benny, South Africa; Padilla, Juan, Mexico; Pita, Oscar, Argentina; Sawyer, Charlie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Thom, Wally, England (Retired).

Van Kempen, Fritz, Holland; Vernaglione, Umberto, Italy.

Class B

Acosta, Gus, Cuba; Amegbe, Kwame, Gold Coast; Argote, Augustin, Spain; Armenteros, Tony, Cuba; Armstrong, Sani, Gold Coast; Ashwood, Ken, England.

Baird, Roy, England; Barnes, Don, Australia; Barrett, Tony, England; Benson, Felix, Philadelphia, Pa.; Blanco, Nilo, Cuba; Blue, Irvin, Panama.

Bottoni, Danilo, Italy; Brommer, Theun, Holland; Brown, Coogan, Australia; Burt, Phil, Australia; Butler, Jackie, England

Cabelduc, Henri, France; Carr, Louis, Chicago, Ill.; Carroll, Albert, England; Carsburg, Glen, Australia; Casellato, Mario, Italy.

Cervantes, Dave, Mexico; Chellis, Tony, England; Christensen, Ulf, New Zealand; Ciccarelli, Mario, Italy; Cifuentes, Eugenio, Spain; Cofer, Robert, Philadelphia, Pa.; Cooper, Johnny, Australia; Conscripto, El, Mexico; Correra, Manuel, Spain; Cosgrove, Charley, Ireland; Cota, Alfredo, Mexico.

Dambele, Benjamin, Senegal; Dennis, Earl, New York, N. Y.; Diaz, Gabriel, Mexico.

Diaz, Miguel, Cuba; DiBiase, Tony, Long Island City, N. Y.; DiGilio, Johnny, Bayonne, N. J.; Dugenie, Jacques, France.

Eubanks, Johnny, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Facquer, Roger, France; Flores, Jose Ramon, Cuba; Flynn, Noel, Australia; Francois, Michel, France; Fretzghi, Gheres, Eritrea.

Germain, Ivor, Barbados, BWI.; Gonzales, Manolo, Spain; Goodman, Gordon, England; Gray, Gerald, Jamaica; Greaves, Billy, Barbados, BWI.; Guder, Karl-Heinz, Germany.

Handke, Werner, Germany; Hansen, Barry, Australia; Harrington, Stan, Hawaii; Herbillon, Jacques, France; Hernandez, Pierre, France; Hornby, Bert, Australia.

Johnson, Dave, San Francisco, Calif.; Josato, Jake, Philadelphia, Pa.; Juergens, Al, San Antonio, Texas.; Kim, Phil, Hawaii; Kokmeyer, Harko, Holland.

Labalette, Jean, France; Lapourielle, Claude, France; Lynch, Billy, Hartford, Conn.

Marostegan, Bruno, France; Martins, Santos, Nigeria; Mason, Tommy, England; Mathieu, Gaston, France; Mathys, Aime, Belgium.

Mendoza, Rudy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Molloy, Tommy, England; Moore, Reese, Wales; Moos, Nick, Holland; Muller, Albert, Germany; Muller, Gerhard, Germany.

Ngidi, Joe, South Africa; Northrup, Mickey, Los Angeles, Calif.; O'Kine, Vincent, Gold Coast; Osland, Curly, Australia; Orozco, Emilio, Spain; Ortiz, Javier, Spain; Ousmane, Cisse, Senegal.

Paez, Oscar, Argentina; Pereyra, Martiniano, Argentina; Petros, Gilbert, South Africa.

Poirier, Gene, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Powell, Neville, Jamaica; Prigent, Jacques, France; Putti, Giacomo, Italy; Quaye, Zora Bell, Gold Coast.

Rizzotti, Franco, Italy; Roche, Manuel, Mexico; Rosellini, Mario, Italy; Salcedo, Manuel, Spain; Salkeld, Johnny, Canada; Santos, Francisco, Portugal.

Sarlo, Carlo, Chicago, Ill.; Scarpetti, Rinaldo, Italy; Shaw, Barney, New Zealand; Skidmore, Frank, San Francisco, Calif.; Soudan, Abel, Belgium; Stanley, Bill, Australia; Stevenson, Willie, Boston, Mass.

Tiscareno, Ramon, Mexico; Todd, Billy, Australia; Tony, Steve, Philippines.

Vorster, Ewie, South Africa; Walter, Erich, Germany; Wilson, Al, Englewood, N. J.; Wilson, Wilbur, Boston, Mass.; Wouters, Pierre, Belgium; Zetzmann, Ernst, Germany.

Class C

Abasta, Joe, Azusa, Calif.; Alicou, Guy, France; Alvarez, Ralph, St. Paul, Minn.; Anderson, Jackie, Washington, D. C.; Armstrong, Eddie, Elizabeth, N. J.; Archer, Jimmy, New York, N. Y.

Baird, Andy, England; Barbero, Al, San Francisco, Calif.; Barbois, Willie, Canada; Barley, Ken, England; Barragan, Garbriel, Mexico; Barraza, Al, Glendale, Ariz.; Barrow, Teddy, Wales; Boudreau, Al, New Orleans, La.; Brennan, Gomero, Bahamas; Brown, Henry, Augusta, Ga.; Brown, Lester, Houston, Texas; Burford, Ernest, Memphis, Tenn.

Caballero, Manuel (Rocky), San Antonio, Texas; Cardenas, Danny, San Antonio, Texas; Caporel, Carl, Philadelphia, Pa.; Castaneda, Joe, Mexico; Celano, Tony, Baltimore, Md.; Chavis, Dudley, Philadelphia, Pa.; Chivas, Carlos, Cuba; Clark, Billy, Westfield, Mass.; Clemmons, Earl, Baltimore, Md.; Cobb, Billy, England; Cobblah, Peter, Gold Coast; Cochran, Dave, Buffalo, N. Y.; Coles, Curtis, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Collings, Joe, Ireland.

Collins, Mel, Trenton, N. J.; Connors, Eddie, Sharon, Mass.; Courtney, Charlie, Oakland, Calif.; Crawford, Mickey, Saginaw, Mich.; Cutino, Angel, Cuba.

Davis, Ernie, Spokane, Wash.; Davis, Joe, New York, N. Y.; Daye, Steve, Miami, Fla.; DeCola, Tony, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dorando, Joey, Lyndhurst, N. J.; Douglas, Bobby, Philadelphia, Pa.; Duarte, Chato, Mexico; Duplessis, Nolan, New Orleans, La.

Ellis, Elmo, San Francisco, Calif.; Farrelly, Nick, Australia; Felton, Lester, Detroit, Mich.; Ferguson, Mel, Los Angeles, Calif.; Figaro, Andy, New York, N. Y.; Flamio, Bill, New York, N. Y.; Flores, Alfonso, Mexico; Flores, Armando, Houston, Texas; Ford, Jimmy, Miami, Fla.; Fowler, Jerry, Chicago, Ill.

Gage, Lou, Oakland, Calif.; Gilmer, Joe, Oakland, Calif.; Goines, Jesse, Monroe, La.; Gonzalez, Luciano, Mexico; Gonzalez, Santiago, Mexico; Gwin, Rudy, Cleveland, O.

Harvey, Roger, Bermuda; Hernandez, Mario, Cuba; Hines, Vinnie, San Francisco, Calif.; Holgiun, Gilberto, El Paso, Texas; Holly, Cisco, Providence, R. I.

Jackson, Buddy, Springville, N. Y.; James, Eddie, Buffalo, N. Y.; Jefferson, Timmie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jones, Jesse, Los Angeles, Calif.; Juarez, Kid, Mexico; Kennedy, Alan, Bay City, Mich.

Lariviere, Al, Granby, Mass.; Lepido, Billy, New York, N. Y.; Lissy, Johnny, Middlesex, N. J.; Lusby, Art, Paterson, N. J.

McCoy, Jimmy, Eureka, Calif.; McDonald, Buddy, Canada; McGuinness, Jim, Scotland; McWorter, Dargin, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mackin, Lyle, Richmond, Calif.; Maloney, Leo, England; Martinez, Alfredo, Mexico; Martinez, Isaac, Bisbee, Arizona; Matsuyama, Teruo, Japan; Mauguin, Andre, France.

Mbata, Simon, South Africa; Miller, Bill, Seattle, Wash.; Milone, Al, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Milo, Camille, Belgium; Moll, Gerhard, Germany; Monforte, Fred, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Montor, Freddy, Mexico; Morales, Gato, Mexico; Morton, Willie, San Francisco, Calif.; Murphy, Bob, Brighton, Mass.

Nance, Abe, Stockton, Calif.; Nee, Tommy, Boston, Mass.; O'Brien, Jackie, Meriden, Conn.; Odo, Doug, Canada; Ortiz, Alfonso, Mexico.

Paris, Keith, Canada; Peck, Aman, Tampa, Fla.; Perrault, Jimmy, St. Paul, Minn.; Perry, John L., Detroit, Mich.; Peters, Jimmy, Washington, D. C.; Pineiro, Marinao, New York, N. Y.; Portilla, Ray, New York, N. Y.

Ramos, Ernest, San Antonio, Texas; Redl, Stefan, Passaic, N. J.; Reed, Jiggs, Oakland, Calif.; Rhodes, Julius, Norristown, Pa.; Richardson, Ron, England; Robles, Jesse, Mexico.

Rodriguez, Herbie, New Orleans, La.; Rosado, Bobby, Puerto Rico; Rosales, Agustine, Mexico; Rufus, Joe, Nigeria.

Sansone, Tony, Long Island, City, N. Y.; Sawyer, Rudy, New York, N. Y.; Schmidt, Peter, New York, N. Y.; Scott, Charley, Philadelphia, Pa.; Sloane, Tommy, Australia; Smith, Peter, England; Smith, Vic, England; Stubbs, Reybon, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Suffoletta, Art, Bridgeport, Conn.

Teichmann, Fredi, Germany; Tejada, Juan, Oneida, N. Y.; Terrance, Bob, Los Angeles, Calif.; Torres, Victor, Mexico; Tortorice, Gene, Buffalo, N. Y.

Urista, Daldier, Mexico; Ussin, Gilbert, France; Valdez, Jose, Argentina; Van Loo, Gordon, Miami, Fla.; Vescovi, Franco, Italy; Villafara, Al, New Orleans, La.; Vorster, Abe, South Africa.

Wallach, Itzy, New York, N. Y.; Watkins, Jimmy, Buffalo, N. Y.; Webb, Tommy, New York, N. Y.; Weller, Don, St. Paul, Minn.; Whitewater, Archie, Eureka, Calif.; Williams (Ernie) Sonny Boy, Washington, D. C.; Winchman, Henny, New York, N. Y.; Yamanoi, Seiziro, Japan; Zakaryan, Garbis, Turkey.

Class D

Apollo, Ray, Newark, N. J.; Asti, Eddie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Thomas, Tommy, Portland, Oregon; Avant, Al, Chester, Pa.

Bardsley, Lavon, Los Angeles, Calif.; Barge, Sherman, Camden, N. J.; Battad, Anacleto, Hawaii; Beasley, Herman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bibbs, Don, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bible, Jimmy, Minneapolis, Minn.; Blevins, Billy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bonomo, Vince, New Orleans, La.; Boswell, Ben, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bridges, Posey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bryant, Deacon, Oakland, Calif.; Bubeck, Joe, Philadelphia, Pa.; Burris, Jack, Wilmington, Del.

Caldwell, J. C., Waco, Texas; Campbell, Grant, New York, N. Y.; Chaline, Irvin, Houston, Texas; Chapedeline, Ron, Springfield, Mass.; Cheney, Ralph, Philadelphia, Pa.; Chocolate, Kid, Chicago, Ill.; Clark, Charlie, Santa Monica, Calif.; Co hran, Buddy, Boston, Mass.; Contreras, Al, Hollywood, Calif.; Crisp, Denny, Los Angeles, Calif.

Davi, Vince, Los Angeles, Calif.; Davis, Manny, New York, N. Y.; Davis, Russell, Reno, Nevada.

DeWitt, Bert, Paterson, N. J.; Diaz, Guillermo, Cuba; Diles, Benny, San Francisco, Calif.; Dixon, Al, Long Island City, N. Y.; Duval, Jimmy, New Orleans, La.; Elliott, Gene, Philadelphia, Pa.

Escalara, Frederico, Puerto Rico; Farmer, Don, Hollywood, Calif.

Felder, Hal, Philadelphia, Pa.; Flamond, Leroy, Canada; Fobbs, Ed, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; Ford, Bert, Los Angeles, Calif.; Foy, Carl, Houston, Texas; Freeman, Bobby, Miami, Fla.; Fuerte, Tino, Tampa, Fla.

Gailes, Dave, Los Angeles, Calif.; Garcia, Marguette, Corpus Christi, Tex.; Garrett, Doug, San Francisco, Calif.; Garza, Al, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gilbert, Eddy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gill, Bill, Los Angeles, Calif.

Goldberg, Jerry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Gomez, Chico, Mexico; Goodwin, Mutt, Richmond, Calif.; Gulatto, Tony, Hoboken, N. J.

Hall, Bill, Hialeah, Fla.; Hall, Jerry, Oakland, Calif.; Holman, Paul, Allston, Mass.; Holman, Walter, Allston, Mass.; Jackson, Jule, Philadelphia, Pa.; Johnson, Richie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jose, Don, Detroit, Mich.

Kessell, Lazaro Hernandez, Cuba; LaForte, Gene, Reno, Nevada; LaGreca, Tony, New York, N. Y.; Landron, Jimmy, Puerto Rico; Lee, Robert E., Houston, Texas; Lemon, Sonny, Calhoun, S. C.; Lewis, DeWitt, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lewis, Joey, New Orleans, La.; Lissy, Joe, New York, N. Y.; LoConte, Guy, Malden, Mass.; Lopez, Jose, Puerto Rico.

McArthur, Fred, Brooklyn, N. Y.; McKinney, Fritzie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Manuel, Roland, Corpus Christi, Tex.; Martinez, Jose, Los Angeles, Calif.; Miller, Bob, Oakland, Calif.; Milton, Johnny, Oakland, Calif.; Moreno, Jesus, Mexico; Morris, Johnny, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mortell, Jerry, Gary, Indiana; Moss, Tony, San Francisco, Calif.; Munez, Renato, Los Angees, Calif.

O'Berry, Ronnie, Pontiac, Mich.; Orona, Ruben, Richmond, Calif.; Paris, Tony, Stockton, Calif.; Parker, Larry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Patterson, Charley, Austin, Texas; Pena, Roberto, Mexico.

Perez, Pedro, Mexico; Plair, Jimmy, Hollywood, Calif.; Porras, Ray, Los Angeles, Calif.

Powell, John, New Orleans, La.; Ray, Del, Los Angeles, Calif.; Reyes, Vicente, Cuba; Reynolds, Eddie, Syracuse, N. Y.; Roche, Frankie, Bristol, Conn.; Roche, Willie, Austin, Texas; Rubi, Bob, San Diego, Calif.; Ruiz, Pete, El Paso, Texas; Russo, Danny, New York, N. Y.

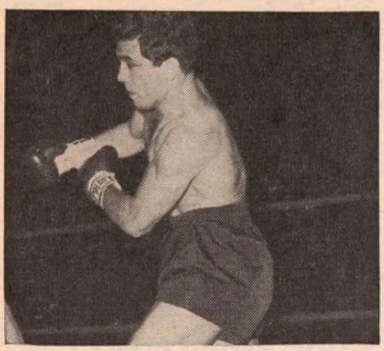
Sanchez, Alfredo, Acampo, Calif.; Schnoor, Eddie, Boise, Idaho; Sciambra, Andrew, New Orleans, La.; Seifer, Arley, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Smith, Charley, Detroit, Mich.; Strong, Ray, Emmett, Idaho; Styles, Al, Philadelphia, Pa.

Taylor, Danny, New York, N. Y.; Taylor, Sam, Reno, Nevada; Tombley, John, Hialeah, Fla.; Tucker, Gene, Philadelphia, Pa.

Versace, Joe, Wappingers Falls, N. Y.; Villa, Chico, Venezuela; Villareal, Andrew, Corpus Christi, Texas; Vincent, Don, Providence, R. I.

Walcott, Joe, Boston, Mass.; Walker, Joe, Boston, Mass.; Walker, Questa, Los Angeles, Calif.; Wallace, Don, Canada; Washington, Benny, New York, N. Y.; Washington, Pete, Chicago, Ill.; Watson, Carlos, Panama; Webb, Don, Oakland, Calif.; Williams, Al, Philadelphia, Pa.

Williams, Clifton, Phoenix, Arizona; Williams, Virgil, Toledo, O.; Willis, Bobby, Syracuse, N. Y.; Woolwine, Curtis, Port Arthur, Texas; Wright, Ted, Detroit, Mich.; Yanez, Julian, Cuba; Young, Johnny, Keyport, N. J.



DUILIO LOI

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion
Joe Brown, New Orleans, La.

Group I

1—Joe Brown, New Orleans, La.
2—Duilio Loi, Italy
3—Kenny Lane, Muskegon, Mich.
4—Larry Boardman, Marlboro, Conn.
5—Wallace (Bud) Smith, Cincinnati, O.
6—Cisco Andrade, Compton, Calif.
7—Ralph Dupas, New Orleans, La.
8—Johnny Gonsalves, Oakland, Calif.
9—Jimmy Carter, New York, N. Y.
10—Orlando Zulueta, Cuba

Group II

1—Ludwig Lightburn, British Honduras (Retired)
2—Willie Toweel, South Africa
3—Richie Howard, Canada
4—Joe Lopes, Sacramento, Calif.
5—Leo Alonzo, Philippines
6—Baby Vasquez, Mexico
7—Frankie Ryff—New York, N. Y.
8—Lahouari Godih, Algeria
9—Felix Chiocca, France
10—Paolo Rosi, New York

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Class A

Bonnardel, Francis, France; Bracken, George, Australia; Brown, Henry, Philadelphia, Pa.; Busso, Johnny, New York, N. Y.

Carbajal, Beto, Mexico; Chavez, Eddie, San Jose, Calif.; Cochet, Baby, Cuba; Collazo, Damaso, Cuba; Courchesne, Bobby, Holyoke, Mass.

Davis, Teddy, Hartford, Conn.; DeMarco, Paddy, Brooklyn, N. J.; Escobar, Ben, Philippines; Ferrer, Seraphin, Algeria; Flanagan, Glen, St. Paul, Minn.

Galiana, Fred, Spain; Gracia, Guy, France; Grow, Jimmy, Lewiston, Idaho; Jordan, Don, Los Angeles, Calif.; Khalfi, Hoacine, France.

LaStre, Rafael, Cuba; Lucy, Joe, England; Mente, Aldo, New York, N. Y.; Morgan, L. C., Youngstown, O.

Nevarez, Al, Mexico; Okoshi, Toshiharu, Japan; Persley, Arthur, Red Crosse, La.; Ptak, Edouard, France.

Romulo, Tommy, Philippines; Ros, Bobby, Spain.

Van Klaveren, Piet, Holland; Van Rensberg, Johnny, South Africa; Vargas, Alex, Galveston, Texas; Vecchiato, Mario, Italy; Visintin, Bruno, Italy; Woods, Bobby, Spokane, Wash.

Class B

Akwei, Ray, Nigeria; Alassane, Maiga, Senegal; Ali, Ben, Tunis; Allo, Victor, Belgium; Arel, Andy, Massena, N. Y.; Arguelles, Jose, Mexico; Armenta, Everado, Mexico.

Bain, Jimmy, Australia; Bakir, Ali, Algeria; Ballabio, Ernesto, Italy; Baragano, Armando, Cuba; Beezer, Alfredo, Jamaica; Bellotti, Stefano, Italy.

Benelli, Pedro, Argentina; Best, Teddy, Wales; Bick, Karl-Heinz, Germany; Bickle, Bobby, Topeka, Kan.; Bisbe, Alberto, Cuba; Blair, Jackie, Dallas, Texas; Bogart, Jesse, Mexico; Bolanos, Roberto, Mexico; Bolognesi, Aureliano, Italy.

Brogan, Chic, Scotland; Brown, Walter, Baltimore, Md.; Brunet, Rene, France; Buck, Joe, Germany; Bufala, Jose, Spain; Butler, Gene, Pawtucket, R. I.; Butterworth, Johnny, England.

Caballero, Juan, Spain; Calcaterra, Mario, Italy; Campling, Clive, England; Carrara, Louis, France; Castillo, Tomas, Mexico; Cavalieri, Germano, Italy; Cerasini, Alvaro, Italy; Charnley, Dave, England; Chavez, Carlos, Los Angeles, Calif.; Clarke, Colin, Australia; Cobbina, Billy, Gold Coast; Cobe, Daniel, Belgium; Corbett, Ray, England.

Davis, Danny, Minneapolis, Minn.; Davis, Henry, Los Angeles, Calif.; DeChampoton, Pantera, Mexico; Dekhyl, Rabah, Algeria; DeLucia, Gaetano, Italy; Devos, Georges, Belgium; DiJasio, Giacomo, Italy; Donnell, Abel, Hawaii; Donnachie, Arthur, Scotland; Dumesnil, Jacques, France; Dunn, Charley, Australia; Dupre, Marcel, France.

East, Floyd, Lake Charles, La.; Elder, Tommy, Cleveland, O.; Esqueda, Enrique, Mexico.

Filippo, Lou, Los Angeles, Calif.; Fisher, Jim, Ireland; Fuentes, Severo, Philippines; Funari, Nicola, Italy.

Garcia, Hector, Mexico; Giacche, Renato, Italy; Godoy, Jose-Maria, Spain; Gomis, Adrien, Portugal.

Gonzalez, Beto, Mexico; Graham, Paddy, Ireland; Greb, Ronnie, England; Greb, Syd, England; Gutierrez, Alvaro, Mexico.

Hackney, Jimmy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hart, Johnny, Phoenix, Arizona; Hayden, Jackie, Canada; Hill, Arnold, Mexico; Hornsby, Jimmy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Hughes, Darkey, Wales; Humphreys, Noel, Charleston, W. Va.

Ippolito, Frank, New York, N. Y.; Jackson, Aryee, Gold Coast; Kamara, Morlay, Senegal; Kazama, Keijiro, Japan; Kelly, Billy, Ireland; Kerwin, Gale, Valley Stream, N. Y.; Krogh, Ron, Australia.

Layton, Young, Australia; Lloyd, William, Wales; Lopez, Armando, Cuba; Lopez, Reyes, Mexico; Lucero, Fidel, Mexico.

McCarthy, Sammy, England; Macale, Enrico, Italy; Mallane, Pat, Waterbury, Conn.; Mann, Johnny, England; Manrique, Jose-Maria, Spain; Martinez, Juanito, Mexico.

Maury, Maurice, France; Menendez, Victor, Cuba; Mendia, Sonny, San Diego, Calif.; Mendoza, Manuel, Mexico; Milan, Sergio, Italy; Miller, Johnny, England; Monroe, George, Worcester, Mass.; Muller, Addy, Germany.

Nollet, Fernand, France; Omodesi, Annibale, Italy; Ortega, Roberto, Mexico; Ortiz, Baby, Mexico; Ortiz, Carlos, New York, N. Y.; Ortiz, Enrique, Mexico.

Padovani, Marcello, Italy; Paini, Pedro, Italy; Paternotte, Jean, France; Pena, Marcelino, Mexico; Penaloza, Tobe, Mexico; Perillat, Simon, France; Pitt, Quintin, Nigeria; Pina, Pedro, Mexico; Prigent, Roger, France.

Radebe, Jason, South Africa; Randell, Rocky, Tampa, Fla.; Rangel, Valentin, Mexico; Ranvial, Marcel, France; Rauen, Karel- Heinz, Germany.

Ravell, Manuel, Mexico; Riojas, Ray, Ft. Worth, Texas; Rivera, Manuel, Mexico; Rivera, Raul, Mexico.

Salazar, Ruben, Pasadena, Calif.; Sanchez, Emilio, Honduras; Sands, Russell, Australia; Santanbien, Jean, France; Sawada, Jiro, Japan; Sarkissian, Pierre, France; Silva, Fernando, Cuba.

Smith, Calvin, Philadelphia, Pa.; Soo, Jimmy, Philadelphia, Pa.; St. Louis, Boswell, Trinidad, BWI.; Stampi, Carlo, Italy.

Tibbs, Tommy, Boston, Mass.; Touche, Michel, France; Toyoda, Hideo, Japan; Trejo, Yuyin, Mexico; van Hoeck, Louis, Belgium; Viarengo, Remo, Italy.

Ward, Steve, Hartford, Conn.; Whelan, George, England.

Class C

Abrams, Boland, Philadelphia, Pa.; Aguilar, Bombero, Mexico; Agbulos, Leo, Stockton, Calif.; Almazan, Eduardo, Mexico; Antonetti, Eddie, Puerto Rico; Antonini, Franco, Italy; Armstead, Larry, New Orleans, La.; Arregui, Carlos, Mexico; Arroyo, Chico, Oakland, Calif; Artist, Benny, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ashe, Des, Australia; Attar, Ahcene, Algeria; Auzel, Maurice, France.

Baker, Paul, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bardi, Louis, Italy; Barragan, Carlos, Mexico; Bell, Harry, Long Island City, N. Y.; Beraza, Carmelo, Spain; Black, Jerry, Philadelphia, Pa.; Blanker, Terry, Philippines; Boysaw, Solomon, Cleveland, O.; Brant, Eddie, San Antonio, Texas; Burns, Jimmy, Hawaii.

Campos, Gregorio, Mexico; Canti, Baby, Mexico; Capone, Ralph, Chicago, Ill.; Castaneda, Luis, Colombia; Castro, Manuel (Kid), Stockton, Calif.; Cervantes, Ralph, Rockford, Ill.; Charles, Joe Boy, El Cerrito, Calif.

Chestra, Don, San Francisco, Calif.; Chia, Sonny, Malaya; Cipriani, Paolo, Italy; Collins, George, New York, N. Y.; Coppens, Fernand, Belgium; Cox, Collier, Tucson, Arizona; Cummings, Charlie, Philadelphia, Pa.

Dawson, Wayne, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Decereaux, Kenny, New Orleans, La.; DeMura, Jimmy, Syracuse, N. Y.; Diaz, Chico, Mexico; Dominguez, Jose Luis, Mexico; Dillon, Willie, Chicago, Ill.; Donnelly, Len, Ireland; Donovan, Joey, Astoria, N. Y.

Easterling, George, Port Arthur, Texas; Escoffery, Allan, Jamaica; Estepa, Ray, Cuba; Felix, Paul, Stockton, Calif.; Frazier, Billy, San Diego, Calif.

Gadson, Nicki, Elizabeth, N. J.; Galica, Jose, Mexico; Garza, Bobby, Corpus Christi, Texas; Gillet, Robert, France; Gomez, Chino, Mexico; Gony, Star, Philippines.

Gonzales, Jose, Mexico; Gonzalez, Orlando, Cuba; Gorman, Johnny, New York, N. Y.; Guerrero, Babe, Mexico.

Hall, Teddy, Seattle, Wash.; Hanks, Johnny, New Zealand; Hickman, Henry, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Hinton, Herman, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ines, Mike, Hawaii; Isturiz, Isaac, Venezuela; Jackson, Del, Los Angeles, Calif.

Kid, Orizba, Mexico; LaCrosse, Sammy, Modesto, Calif.

LaMalza, George, Philadelphia, Pa.; LeCompte, Dave, Philadelphia, Pa.; Lee, Brown, Harrisburg, Pa.; Leggett, Eli, Detroit, Mich.; Lopez, Arturo, Mexico; Lupo, Artie, Hartford, Conn.

McCoy, Pat, Ireland; McKoin, Johnny, Bastrop, La.; McMillan, Jimmy, Trenton, N. J.; McNally, John, Ireland; Macias, Jorge, Mexico; Mancilla, Ray, Mexico; Martinez, Terry, Mexico; Mason, Don, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mathews, Earl, Boston, Mass.

Medina, Juan, Cuba; Medley, Doug, Louisville, Ky.; Meeks, Benny, Chicago, Ill.; Mensah, Ansong, Gold Coast; Mitchell, Mike (Gypsy), Sacramento, Calif.; Mokhfi, Bouadjemi, Algeria; Molloy, Leo, England; Moore, Dave, Springfield, O.; Mullins, Gilbert, Cuba; Murphy, Arthur, England.

Olmos, Chucho, Mexico; Olmstead, Merrill, Springfield, Mass.; Orta, Cesar, Venezuela; Oritz, Carlos, Mexico; Perez, Julian, Cuba; Plummer, Federico, Panama.

Ramirez, Santiago, Cuba; Ramirez, Ubaldo, Mexico; Reyes, Joey, Mexico; Rinaldi, Mafaldo, Italy; Rodriguez, Benny, Mexico; Rosales, Bernardo (Baby), Cuba; Ruiz, Luis, Mexico.

Saavedra, Cesar, Mexico; Sales, Frankie, Tucson, Arizona; Salem, Tommy, Cleveland, O.; Santiago, Dan, Hawaii; Scanlon, Bobby, Buffalo, N. Y.; Scheich, Rene, Luxembourg; Seabala, Young, South Africa; Sharpe, Al, Ireland; Short, Johnny, Australia; Singer, Burt, Seattle, Wash.; Slaughter, Charlie, Westfield, N. J.

Smith, Harold, Washington, D. C.; Smyer, Joe, Los Angeles, Calif.; Soto, Pedro, Mexico; Souply, Ray, Belgium; Spartaro, Mike, New York, N. Y.; Sullivan, Rocky, Boston, Mass.

Takano, Steve, Hawaii; Tapia, Gil, San Antonio, Texas; Taylor, Chuck, Detroit, Mich.; Terrazas, Ray, El Paso, Texas; Toran, Gene, Erie, Pa.; Trero, Maxie, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Vazquez, Luis, Mexico; Vazquez, Rafael, Mexico; Vazquez, Salvador, Mexico; Velez, Chico, New York, N. Y.

Walker, Bill, Oakland, Calif.; Watkins, Jimmy, New York, N. Y.; Wheeler, Johnny, Australia; Willis, Plummer, Minneapolis, Minn.; Zale, Jimmy, Nigeria.

Class D

Abrams, Jerry, Miami, Fla.; Aciro, Felix, Hawaii; Avilla, William, Hawaii.

Bacquettes, Hector, New Orleans, La.; Beals, Billy, Oakland, Calif.; Bettancourt, Hiram, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bowie, Dave, Camden, N. J.; Brown, Pat, Victoria, Texas.

Calabro, Carl, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Campos, Vic, New York, N. Y.; Cardenas, Enrique, Mexico; Cardet, Vic, Walnut Creek, Calif.; Carlin, Tommy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Carmona, Andy, Fresno, Calif.; Carter, Charles, Phila., Pa.; Chacon, Frankie, San Antonio, Texas.

Chavez, Joe, Albuquerque, N. M.; Cirvello, Joe, Tucson, Arizona; Coleman, Felix, Vallejo, Calif.; Colon, Mario, Puerto Rico.; Cook, Joe, New Orleans, La.; Copeland, Ray, Los Angeles, Calif.

Davis, Curt, New Orleans, La.; Davis, Eddie, New Orleans, La.; Davis, Ray, Miami, Fla.; Davis, Sammy, New Orleans, La.; Delgado, Aurelio, Mexico; Dominguez, Rafael, Mexico, Douglas, Charley, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dupas, Dave, New Orleans, La.

Edwards, Spencer, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ellias, Frank, San Francisco, Calif.; Ennis, Lester, Jamaica; Ettienne, Roger, New Orleans, La.

Figuora, Joe, New York, N. Y.; Firpo, Little, Los Angeles, Calif.; Fowler, Lloyd, Los Angeles, Calif.; Franco, Tony, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Franqui, Pedro, Puerto Rico.

Galindo, Norbert, Placentia, Calif.; Garcia, Hector, Los Angeles, Calif.; Garnica, Jesse, Port Arthur, Texas; Gaspora, Eddie, Los Angeles, Calif; Gonzales, Rudy, Galveston, Texas; Gordon, Ken, Oakland, Calif.; Grasso, Tony, Hartford, Conn.; Hayes, Tommy, New Orleans, La.; Hobbs, Johnny, Los Angeles, Calif.; Howard, Jim, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jackson, Jimmy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jennings, Frank, Paris, Calif.; Joiner, Royal, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jones, Billy, Allentown, Pa.; Juliano, Johnny, Hartford, Conn.

Kaalekaki, Pio, Hawaii; Kitchen, Randy, Los Angeles, Calif.; LaBorde, Erwin, New Orleans, La.; Lassiter, Jimmy, Hollywood, Calif.; Lee, Davey, Reno, Nevada; LeSure, Mitchell, Portland, Oregon; Liggins, Sherman, Phoenix, Arizona; Lii, Josiah, Hawaii.

Lloyd, Terry, Kansas City, Kansas; Long, Joe, Miami, Fla.; Lopez, Art, Hollywood, Calif.; Lopez, Virgil, Cuba; Lorenzo, Tommy, Brooklyn, N. Y.

McCall, Al, Philadelphia, Pa.; McGinnis, Jimmy, Newark, N. J.

Machado, Manuel, Cuba; Madison, Frankie, New York, N. Y.; Maldonado, Iggy, New York, N. Y.; Mara, Harold, Hawaii; Marcus, Marvin, Fresno, Calif.

Martinez, Armando, Cuba; Medina, Humberto, Mexico; Mitchell, Leon, Los Angeles, Calif.; Moore, Alvin, Oakland, Calif.; Moore, Bobby, Canada.

Moore, Willie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mosley, Ted, Mobile, Ala.; Munoz, Santiago, Mexico; Murray, George, Syracuse, N. Y.

Olivares, Daniel, Mexico; Ortega, Felipe, Mexico; Ortega, Sapo, Mexico; Ortiz, Carlos, Panama.

Padilla, Joey, San Jose, Calif.; Palma, Jeff, Los Angeles, Calif.; Parelli, Jack, San Francisco, Calif.; Peppy, Bob, Portland, Oregon; Perez, Abel, Oakland, Calif.; Perez, Mike, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Reyes, Tony, Los Angeles, Calif.; Roach, Jay, New York, N. Y.; Robinson, Taco, Cuba; Robledo, Benny, Hollywood, Calif.; Rodriguez, Al, Panama; Rodriguez, Al, Mexico; Rodriguez, Eddie, San Diego, Calif.; Rosa, Henry, Stockton, Calif.; Ross, George, Hartford, Conn.

Sanchez, Ernie, Corpus Christi, Texas; Sanchez, Ronnie, Reno, Nevada; Sanchez, Rudy, Mountain View, Calif.; Santillan, Francisco, Mexico; Satchell, Bobby, Phoenix, Arizona; Savoie, Frankie, New Orleans, La.; Solis, Andy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Solis, Pico, Mexico.

Sterling, Leon, New Orleans, La.; Stewart, Curley, Miami, Fla.; St. Jean, Teddy, Pawtucket, R. I.; Sullivan, George, San Francisco, Calif.; Swenson, Dick, Worcester, Mass.

Tamayo, Carlos, Mexico; Thomas, Bill, Sacramento, Calif.; Tillman, Gene, Mobile, Ala.; Torres, Jesse, El Paso, Texas; Tunon, Benito, Panama; Turnage, Marvin, Mobile, Ala.; Tyrell, Charlie, Jamaica; Ugalde, Fernando, Mexico; Vargas, Marcelino, El Paso, Texas.

Walker, Jimmy, San Francisco, Calif.; Watson, Jesse, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Weiner, George, Fresno, Calif.; Williams, Ira, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Wilson, Danny, Salt Lake City, Utah; Young, Norman, Philadelphia, Pa.

CHERIF HAMIA

FEATHERWEIGHT
(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion
Sandy Saddler, New York, N. Y.

Group I

1–Sandy Saddler, New York, N. Y.
2–Cherif Hamia, France
3–Miguel Berrios, Puerto Rico
4–Hogan (Bid) Bassey, Nigeria
5–Carmelo Costa, Brooklyn, N. Y.
6–Paul Jorgensen, Port Arthur, Texas
7–Gabriel (Flash) Elorde, Philippines
8–Ciro Morasen, Cuba
9–Victor (Sonny) Leon, Venezuela
10–Jean Sneyers, Belgium
11–Ike Chestnut, New York, N. Y.
12–Ricardo Moreno, Mexico

Group II

1–Rudy Garcia, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Martin Rodriguez, Cuba
3–Willie Pep, Hartford, Conn.
4–Kid Anahuac, Mexico
5–Jose Hernandez, Spain
6–Ray Famechon, France
7–Aldo Pravisani, Italy
8–Bobby Neil, Scotland
9–Altidoro Polidori, Italy
10–Sergio Capari, Italy
11–Nello Barbadoro, Italy

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Class A

Akanuma, Akiyoshi, Japan; Alvarez, Manuel, Argentina; Bain, Tommy, Indianapolis, Ind.; Bell, Bobby, Youngstown, O.; Bonnici, Sammy, Malta; Brown, Jimmy, Ireland; Bunetta, Alfredo, Argentina.

Cadilli, Gil, San Francisco, Calif.; Campari, Giordano, Italy; Camillo, Humberto, Mexico; Castillo, Orlando, Cuba; Cotero, Jose, Dallas, Texas.

Davis, Kenny, Los Angeles, Calif.; Figueroa, Ernesto, Mexico; Gallardo, Davey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Garcia, Antonio (Puppy), Cuba; Garcia, Manolo, Spain; Gines, Jamie, Argentina.

Gomes, Harold, Providence, R. I.; Gonzalez, Jose (Baby), Mexico; Gonzalez, Ricardo, Argentina; Guerrero, Angel, Mexico.

Hill, Charley, Scotland; Kaneko, Shigejia, Japan; Kawala, Pete, Canada.

Langer, Rudi, Germany; Mokone, Elijah, South Africa; Okawa, Hiroshi, Japan.

Pace, Pierre, France; Paliotti, Gaby, Canada; Perez, Lulu, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Poncy, Louis, France; Quijano, Victor Manuel, Mexico.

Romero, Luis, Spain; Ruiz, Trini, Mexico; Salas, Lauro, Los Angeles, Calif.; Sasazaki, Yoshihiro, Japan; Tague, Russ, Davenport, Ia.; Tinde, Emil Bill, Philippines; Valignat, Andre, France.

Class B

Alvarez, Juan (Oscar), Belgium; Ankrah, Nye, Gold Coast; Armstead, Paul, Los Angeles, Calif.; Ashcroft, Billy, England.

Barber, Colin, England; Bell, Gordon, Australia; Bennett, Brian, Australia; Bennett, Frankie, Australia; Black, Jimmy, Trinidad, B.W.I.; Boland, Joe, San Antonio, Texas; Bradley, Clifton, Philadelphia, Pa.; Cabo, Louis, Belgium; Cadalso, Juan, Spain; Calcutt, Jimmy, Florence, S. C.; Campeche, Kid, Mexico; Capaldini, Mario, Italy; Carr, Darcey, Australia; Carrillo, Joaquin, Mexico; Carroll, George, England.

Cervantes, Felix, Mexico; Ciancarelli, Flaviano, Italy; Cicognani, Pompeo, Italy; Conde, Indo, Mexico; Contreras, Luis, Mexico; Cooke, Wayne, Puente, Calif.; Cortick, Tommy, Canada; Couray, Beto, Mexico.

Devisch, Aime, Belgium; Escobedo, Julio, Mexico; Evans, Billy, Pasadena, Calif.; Falcinelli, Amleto, Italy; Flemming, George, Australia; Francis, Rodolfo, Panama; Fuller, Freddie, Philadelphia, Pa.

Galvan, Otilio, Mexico; Garcia, Angel, Franco, Italy; Gibiliru, Sugar, Gold Coast; Harper, Max, Australia; Hatcher, Barry, Australia; Hernandez, Roy, Mexico; Huerta, Apolinar, Mexico; Kiriz, Bombon, Mexico; Lewis, Percy, England; Lopez, Tony, Spain.

Martin, Don, England; Martinez, Isidro, Panama; Martinez, Jose, Spain; Martinez, Santiago, Cuba; Medina, Guillermo (Chico), Veneguela; Meslem, Moustique, Algeria; Moine, Roger, Belgium; Montes, Pepe, Mexico; Morales, Cesar, Mexico; Moser, Jimmy, Los Angeles, Calif.

Nhlapo, Enoch, South Africa; Nugent, Tricky, Jamaica; O'Brien, Johnny, Boston, Mass.; Ortega, Rudy, Cuba.

Paris, Pedro, Spain; Pepedar, Victor, France; Ramirez, Antonio, Mexico; Reardon, Freddie, England; Regan, Young, Australia; Rivera, Americo, Mexico; Rodrigues, Jesse, Warren, O.

Sanchez, Joel, Mexico; Santa Maria, Jesus, Panama; Santin, Jacinto, Spain; Santos, Jose Dos, Portugal; Schweer, Alfred, Germany; Serrano, Jaime, Spain; Sinn, Bobby, Australia.

Skipping, Gilbert, Gold Coast; Smith, Brian, Australia; Solis, Raul, Mexico; Sosa, Felipe, Mexico; Suarez, Gil, Spain; Swoboda, Willi, Austria.

Tissong, Alby, South Africa; Tonami, Masazi, Japan; Touan, Jules, Senegal; Trujeque, Luis, Mexico; Tucker, Charley, England.

Vangi, Salvator, France; Vasquez, Larry, San Francisco, Calif.; Velarde, Gil, Los Angeles, Calif; Velasquez, Juilan, LaHarba, Calif.; Wada, Hidemi, Japan; Walden, Dave, Youngstown, O.; Walters, Len, Canada; Younsi, Andre, France.

Class C

Aguilar, Tony, Mexico; Antunez, Babe, Mexico.

Baltazarez, Memo, Mexico; Barr, Johnny, England; Bedolla, Danny, Mexico; Bibi, Caro, Mexico; Bill, Black, Panama; Boy, Puyas, Philippines; Briones, Rocky, Philippines.

Cadman, Max, Australia; Camarena, Lalo, Mexico; Carrillo, Ramon, Mexico; Collado, Alvaro, Mexico; Collangelo, Aldo, Italy; Comacho, Baby, Mexico; Coro, Tono, Mexico; Covarrubias, Luis, Mexico; Cruz, Raul, Mexico.

Davidson, John, New Orleans, La.; de la Cruz, Enrique, Mexico; DeLeon, Ray, Mexico; Delgado, Manny, Mexico; Delgado, Vince, Los Angeles, Calif.; Dundee, Baby, Philippines.

Espinosa, Luis, Mexico; Fernandez, Enrique, Cuba; Figueroa, Frank, New York, N. Y.; Flores, Baltazar (Junior), Port Arthur, Texas; Frazier, Bunky, Washington, D. C.; Freeman, Eddie, Philadelphia, Pa.

Garcia, Juan, Mexico; Garcia, Lauro, Mexico; Gony, Baby, Philippines; Gonzalez, Ramon, Mexico.

Hand, Johnny (Ace), Charlotte, N. C.; Hawkins, Dwight, Los Angeles, Calif.; Hernandez, Roberto, Mexico; Johnson, Prince, New York, N. Y.; Klok, Henk, Holland; Lane, Cleo, Oakland, Calif.

Lee, Paul, Hartford, Conn.; Lee, Timmy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lopez, Candy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Loyola, Carlos, Mexico; Luera, Henry, Houston, Texas.

McCairn, Pat, England; McCarthy, Pat, England; Martinez, Rudy, Mexico; Medina, Gregorio, Mexico; Mejia, Jesus, Mexico; Meraint, Andre, France; Meraint, Lucien, France.

Navarro, Baby, Mexico; Navarro, Gabriel, Mexico; Nicholas, Johnny, Milwaukee, Wis.; Novello, Felipe, Mexico; Olivera, Al, Mexico; Olmos, Humberto, Mexico.

Pacheco, Paul, Denver, Colo.; Palanca, Baby, Cuba; Perdomo, Manuel, Cuba; Perez, Juan, Corpus Christi, Texas; Perez, Pedro, Mexico; Piper, Harold, Australia; Pittman, Herb, Australia; Posca, Mario, Italy; Powell, Dick, Chicago, Ill.

Quinn, Joe, Ireland; Quintero, Gustavo, Mexico; Razo, Roberto, Mexico; Rodriguez, Beto, Mexico; Rodriguez, Baby, Mexico; Rogers, Bobby, Chicago, Ill.; Rosales, Nacho, Mexico; Ruiz, Manuel, Mexico.

Sacco, Dom, Boston, Mass.; Sandoval, Mario, Mexico; Scoccimarro, Paolo, Italy; Serafin, Genaro, Mexico; Servais, Eugene, Belgium; Shackleton, Jim, Australia; Simpson, Max, Australia; Soars, Bobby, Providence, R. I.

Tanelli, Ilario, Italy; Terraza, Cuervo, Mexico; Tisi, Al, New York, N. Y.; Torres, Oscar, Mexico; Tovar, Gino, Mexico.

Vasquez, Martin, Mexico; Zaldivar, Isidro, Cuba; Zambujo, Tiodmir, Algeria.

Class D

Aguero, Gustavo, Cuba; Anderson, Andy, New York, N. Y.; Areliano, Primo, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Avilos, Ray, Los Angeles, Calif.

Bermudez, Johnny, Stockton, Calif.; Brown, Cliff, Boston, Mass.; Calhoun, Harold, New York, N. Y.; Carey, Rocky, Mexico; Coco, Benny, Los Angeles, Calif.

Daly, Frankie, New York, N. Y.; Dean, Ted, Dallas, Texas; DeVanno, Nick, Norwich, Conn.; Dodd, Beacher, Tucson, Arizona; Duenas, Rodrigo, Mexico; Duncan, Herman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Duran, Raul, Mexico.

Ebert, Tom, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Edwards, Danny, Jamaica; Estrada, Jesus, Mexico.

Fierro, Sal, El Paso, Texas; Gilchrist, Joe, Washington, D. C.

Horvath, Steve, Canada; Ingram, Walt, Weirton, W. Va.; Jackson, Bobby, New Orleans, La.

Landeros, Chicki, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lara, Rudy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lanos, Memo, Mexico; McCarthy, Pat, Boston, Mass.; Martin, Johnny, Baltimore, Md.; Martin, Kenny, Los Angeles, Calif.; Melendez, Daniel, Hawaii; Mendoza, Alfredo, Mexico; Millette, Andre, Canada; Mora, Aurelio, Mexico; Morales, Chino, Cuba; Morales, Mauricio, Mexico.

Peaster, Fred, Philadelphia, Pa.; Pera, Enrique, Panama; Pereyra, Elodio, Mexico; Perkins, Edgar, New York, N. Y.; Prescott, Manuel, Panama.

Rieser, Dave, Philadelphia, Pa.; Robleto, Bobby, San Francisco, Calif.; Rodriguez, Ramon, Mexico; Samaniego, Isauro, Mexico; Sanchez, Martin, Mexico; Sanchez, Willie, Los Angeles, Calif.; Sandoval, Luke, Wilmington, Calif.; Santos, Eduardo, Mexico; Serrano, Carlos, Los Angeles, Calif.; Soto, Ramon, Puerto Rico; Stephaney, George, New York, N. Y.; Suarez, Carlos, Cuba; Sykes, Edwin, Panama.

Taylor, Ernesto, Panama; Telles, Max, San Jose, Calif.; Terranova, Kid, Mexico; Tovar, Al, Los Angeles, Calif.; Turner, Tom, Los Angeles, Calif.

Vega, Jose, Mexico; Wallace, Leon, Philadelphia, Pa.; Williams, Basilio, Panama.

RAUL MACIAS

BAMTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion
Mario D'Agata, Italy

Group I

1–Mario D'Agata, Italy
2–Raul (Raton) Macias, Mexico
3–Leo Espinosa, Philippines
4–Alphonse Halimi, France
5–Billy Peacock, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Tanny Campo, Philippines
7–Robert Cohen, Algeria (Retired)

Group II

1–German Ohm, Mexico
2–Jose Lopez, Mexico
3–Al Asuncion, Philippines
4–Fili Nava, Mexico
5–Jean Renard, Belgium
6–Peter Keenan, Scotland
7–Kevin James, Australia
8–Piero Rollo, Italy
9–Robert Tartari, France
10–Dommy Urusa, Philippines

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Class A

Annaloro, Gaetano, Italy; Armenteros, Manuel, Cuba; Barajas, Pimi, Mexico; Bataan, Larry, Philippines; Becerra, Joe, Mexico; Bini, Dante, France; Bourne, Melvin, Panama.

Cappato, Roger, France; Cardenas, Juan, Spain; Cardoso, Carlos, Mexico; Carson, Jimmy, Ireland; Castillo, Luis, Mexico; Castro, Roberto, Argentina; Cezar, Little, Philippines.

Coronado, Rudy, Mexico; Cossemyns, Pierre, Belgium.

de la Rosa, Emilio, Mexico; Dormer, George, England; Durban, Lopez, Spain; Gianelli, Nazzareno, Italy; Herrera, Jorge (Pulga), Mexico; Lazu, Miguel, Cuba; Leanos, Raul, Mexico; Miranda, Pedro, Argentina.

Otaki, Saburo, Japan; Petilli, Letterio, Italy; Reyes, Nestor, Philippines; Reyes, Orlando, Cuba; Scarponi, Federico, Italy; Smillie, John, Scotland; Supple, Pat, Canada.

Van der Walt, Graham, South Africa; Wilcher, Al, Los Angeles, Calif.

Class B

Alvarez, Jose, Spain; Amarfio, Limpo, Gold Coast; Bacho, Gildardo, Mexico; Benard, Ray, France; Benson, Joey, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bollaert, Alex, Belgium.

Campos, Frankie, San Francisco, Calif.; Castaneda, Ernesto, Mexico; Cervantes, Ramon, Mexico; Coates, Ray, Australia; De-Souza, Pierre, France; Diaz, II, Antonio, Spain; Dugini, Giancarlo, Italy; Escalante, Nacho, Mexico; Felix, Avelino, Mexico; Fernandez, Roque, Mexico.

Gabino, Jorge, Mexico; Galicia, Marcial, Mexico; Garcia, Miguel (Mike), Mexico; Gault, Henry (Pappy), Spartanburg, S. C.; Gaviano, Hilaire, France; Gazard, Serge, France; Gonzales Nuesito, Cuba; Grant Malcolm, Scotland; Gonzalez, Lucio, Mexico.

Hernandez, Mike, Mexico; Ibarra, Alberto, Panama; Jacobs, Roy, Nigeria; Jarrett, Johnny, Australia; Jasse, Andre, France; Jimenez, Manuel, Mexico; Johnson, Ron, England.

Manzanillo, Ricardo Jr., Mexico; Marchand, Christian, France; Martinez, Caludio, Panama; Martinez, Kildo, Mexico.

Meunier, Robert, France; Milan, Ugo, Italy; Moletto, Edmond, Monoco; Moledi, Peter, South Africa; Mora, Jose Luis, Mexico.

Navarro, Kim, Spain; O'Neil, George, Ireland; Padilla, Toro, Mexico; Paredes, Nacho, Mexico; Parra, Ernesto, Mexico; Pezzuto, Cosimo, Italy.

Rainbow, Teddy, Australia; Robles, Manuel (Raton), Mexico; Rodriguez, Chuy, Mexico; Rodriguez, David, Mexico; Rodriguez, Orlando, Cuba; Roy, Roland, France; Rubio, Jesus, Spain.

Sanong, Nai, Thailand; Saucedo, Rogelio, Mexico; Scott, Eli, San Francisco, Calif.; Singleton, Bobby, Philadelphia, Pa.; Sobolak, Stanis, France; Tello, Chucho, Mexico; Tozuka, Hideo, Japan.

vanDer Zee, Heintze, Holland; Vargas, Raul, Argentina; Viel, Gabriel, France; White, Dick, Australia; Zuddas, Gianni, Italy.

Class C

Alamillo, Tony, Mexico; Alcantara, Juan, Mexico; Alfaro, Sergio, Mexico; Alonzo, Baby, Mexico; Alor, Gilberto, Mexico; Ampudia, Rodolfo, Panama.

Baggett, Buddy, Dallas, Texas; Bautista, Jose Luis, Mexico; Beltran, Jose, Mexico.

Ceballos, Hector, Mexico; Chavarria, Pepe, Mexico; Cruz, Mike, Mexico; Cumberbatch, Byron, Panama.

Espindola, Patito, Mexico; Fandel, Herman, Hollywood, Calif.; Fernandez, Pedro, Mexico.

Ganados, Tony, Philippines; Garcia, Pedro, Mexico; Garfias, Javier, Mexico; Gogotya, David, South Africa; Gonzales, Bert, Philippines; Gonzalez, Pastor, Mexico; Guerrero, Eddie, Mexico.

Kid, Oaxaca, Mexico; Joshua, Louis, South Africa; Leoncito, Kid, Mexico; Livingston, Wally, Trenton, N. J.; Lopez, Juancito, Mexico; Lopez, Nick, San Francisco, Calif.

Macias, Henry, Mexico; Mejia, Alejo, Mexico; Mesa, Tony, Mexico; Morales, Henry, Mexico; Mosqueda, Manuel, Cuba; Munoz, Chino, Mexico.

Ortiz, Cleo, New York, N. Y.; Rivera, Babe, Mexico; Rojas, Manuel, Mexico; Ruiz, Arturo, Mexico.

Salazar, Jorge, Mexico; Sanchez, Memo, Mexico; Santos, Jose, Chester, Pa.; Sarduy, Johnny, Cuba.

Sasaki, Tamio, Japan; Solis, Raul, Mexico; Squaita, Luigi, Italy; Supplee, Frank, Philadelphia, Pa.

Taguchi, Susumu, Japan.

Torres, Chiquilin, Mexico; Uribe, Lazaro, Mexico; Valverde, Jorge, Mexico; Velazquez, Urbano, Mexico; Zinn, Eddie, South Africa.

Class D

Acevedo, Pepe, Mexico; Botello, Eddie, Cuba; Burciaga, Hipolito, Mexico.

Cisneros, Rudy, Placentia, Calif.; Gutierrez, Joe, Mexico.

Jimenez, Lolo, Mexico; Jiminez, Alfredo, Mexico; Lesama, Juan, Panama; Lomeli, Jose, Mexico.

Martinez, Fili, Mexico; Moreno, Enrique, Mexico; Navarrete, Anastasio, Mexico; Rand, Teddy, Los Angeles, Calif.; Reese, Bob, Philadelphia, Pa.; Reyes, Chamaco, Mexico; Rios, Tony, Los Angeles, Calif.; Rodriguez, Manuel, Mexico; Romero, Daniel, Mexico; Rubio, Pancho, Mexico.

Sanchez, Zurdo, Mexico; Sosa, Mario, Cuba.

Valencia, Baby, Mexico; Villa, Abe, Hollywood, Calif.; Villagrana, Tigre, Mexico; Viscarro, Freddy, San Francisco, Calif.

DAI DOWER

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion
Pascual Perez, Argentina

Group I

1–Pascual Perez, Argentina
2–Dai Dower, Wales
3–Memo Diez, Mexico
4–Young Martin, Spain
5–Danny Kid, Philippines
6–Hitoshi Misako, Japan
7–Oscar Suarez, Cuba

Group II

1–Aristide Pozzali, Italy
2–Jake Tuli, South Africa (Retired)
3–Robert Pollazon, France
4–Bindi Jack, Australia
5–Frankie Jones, Scotland
6–Guy Schatt, France
7–Dick Currie, Scotland

Boxers listed below are grouped in general classification, and in alphabetical order. Those in each class are rated about on a par.

Class A

Abeyta, Jimmy, Oakland, Calif.; Adams, Dennis, South Africa; Akira, Speedy, Japan; Andy, Cunning, Philippines; Arias, Ramon, Venezuela; Asami, Shoichi, Japan.

Clatayud, Ramon, Venezuela; Cruz, Ramon, Mexico.

DeLeon, Mario, Mexico; Delpanque, Emile, Belgium; Dionisio, Joseph, France; Eskridge, Cliff, Cairo, Ill.; Gomez, Antonio, Argentina.

Hasegawa, Masayuki, Japan; Iwamoto, Masaji (Lefty), Japan; Kanehira, Masaki, Japan; Medel, Joe, Mexico; Morera, Conrado, Chile; Ortega, Johnny, Oakland, Calif.; Pineda, Larry, Philippines.

Schmid, Henri, France.

Valdez, Ricardo, Argentina; Takoshi, Japan; Zulueta, Leo, Philippines.

Class B

Alcantara, Baby, Philippines; Arce, Zurdo, Mexico; Argaez, Chico, Mexico.

Barrera, Chocolate, Mexico; Cervantes, Ramon, Mexico; Fehri, Moncef, Algeria; Fernandez, Cheto, Mexico.

Garuba, Ado, Nigeria; Gasparini, Andre, France; Gutierrez, Luis, Mexico; Johnson, Baby, Philippines; Jooste, Gerry, South Africa; Kamei, Keizo, Japan.

McLeod, Malcolm, England; Medina, Ausencio, Mexico; Mouginot, Robert, France; Reece, Len, Wales; Ruiz, Mario, Mexico.

Sawamura, Eigi, Japan; Shole, Ezekial, South Africa; Spano, Giacomo, Italy; Tanaka, Toshiro, Japan; Yaoita, Sadao, Japan.

Class C

Ascanio, Nicolas, Venezuela; Bhattachajee, Pancho, India; Correa, Jorge, Mexico; Estrella, Pancho, Mexico.

Gallegos, Luis, Mexico; Hamamatsu, Kunihiro, Japan; Horiuchi, Masaru, Japan; Moore, Dave, Ireland; Mtimkulu, John, South Africa; Quijano, Joe, Mexico; Quinn, Jimmy, Scotland.

Rosales, Chiquie, Mexico; Sas, Joseph, Belgium; Torres, Tibicio, Mexico.

Class D

Ayala, Juan, Mexico; Castillo, Aguilita, Mexico; Colima, Little, Mexico; Islas, Angel, Mexico.

Jimenez, Angel, Mexico; "La Tigue", Mexico; Martinez, Chi Chi, Mexico; Martinez, Delfino, Mexico; Medrano, Danny, Mexico.

Oliva, Jose, Cuba; Rios, Rocky, Mexico; Salazar, Tony, Mexico; Valadez, Ray, Mexico.

Seen and Heard in new york.

By JERSEY JONES

THE grim, relentless Old Man With the Scythe had himself a busy time in 1956. Offhand, we cannot recall any one other year in which so many old-time fighters became items for obituary columns.

Two of the latest were a pair of lightweights prominent around the World War I period. They were Chick Simler of Scranton and Spider Roche of San Francisco. Simler was 62 and Roche a year older when they drifted out of this restless world.

Simler flourished in an era when the coal regions of northeastern Pennyslvania fairly teemed with good ringmen, and Scranton and Wilkes-Barre were among the liveliest fight centers in the nation.

Chick, a durable sort, must have crowded nearly 200 fights into a busy career that began about 1912 and ended in 1920. He didn't miss many of the top lightweights of his time. Outside his own bailiwick, he was particularly popular in New York and Boston. Among the many headliners he met were Freddie Welsh, Benny Leonard, Johnny Dundee, Willie Jackson and Lew Tendler.

Roche was always something of an enigma to the fight crowd. He was one fighter who should have been a world champoin but wasn't. From a purely technical standpoint, the Spider was as close to being the perfect mechanic as the ring has known but, somehow, he lacked the "spark" needed to cash in fully on his remarkable gifts.

When Benny Leonard, then champion, returned to New York from a tour of California's four-round circuit in 1919, he brought Roche and Joe Benjamin back with him. Benny had boxed both during his jaunt on the west coast, and was sufficiently enthused with their possibilities to take them under his personal wing as "proteges."

ROCHE A FINE INSTRUCTOR.

Benjamin developed into a top-ranking lightweight and may even have gone on to become Leonard's successor as champion, but Joe, a handsome, curly-haired lad, was too much of a playboy and refused to take the rugged business as seriously as it should have been taken.

Roche was a keen disappointment to Leonard. In the gymnasium the Spider was a brilliant mechanic, but he couldn't seem to carry his gym form into the ring. His problem appeared to be too much caution, or timidity. Leonard eventually gave up on him as a fighter but kept him around for training workouts. The Spider was the best sparring partner Benny ever had.

After quitting the ring, Roche found his proper sphere. He became a boxing instructor, and there has never been a better one anywhere. When Japan first became interested in boxing, in the early '20s, the Spider was imported to teach and train the Nipponese and he produced some fine results in the few years he held the job. Returning home, he was hired by the noted Olympic Club in San Francisco, and remained there for twenty-eight years.

ODDS AND ENDS.

It was a well-timed coincidence that Floyd Patterson, the outstanding boxer in the 1952 Olympiad in Helsinki, should have reached the top of the world's professional fistic heap while the 1956 Games were in full swing in Melbourne.

Speaking of the Olympics, a recent visitor here was Steve Klaus, stopping off in New York for a few days on his way back to Italy from Australia. Klaus was accompanied by a couple of top officials of the Italian boxing team, and he had quite a time showing them around town. Steve, an American, went to Europe to coach the Hungarian squad for the Berlin meet in 1936. Later he shifted his base of operations to Italy and was responsible for the strong Italian teams entered at Helsinki and Melbourne. Steve has done a fine job of developing amateur boxing over yonder. Many of Italy's current professional headliners learned their boxing ABC's from Klaus.

If Nino Valdes could do all his fighting in Europe, he'd probably wind up with Floyd Patterson's title. Those British and Continental heavies have been pushovers for the rangy Cuban, who's been making annual trans-Atlantic hops since 1953. On his first trip, Valdes flattened Heinz Neuhaus, the German champion, in four rounds in Dortmund. In 1954 he ended the long career of the Belgian, Karel Sys, by demolishing him, also in four rounds, in Brussels. His 1955 victim was the British title-holder, Don Cockell, knocked out in three rounds in London. In his 1956 expedition, Nino wrecked Dick Richardson, one of Britian's brightest young hopefuls, in eight rounds in London. We wouldn't be surprised, however, if Valdes finally comes a-cropper in his 1957 date. He meets Joe Erskine, current British champion, in London, and from this long-distance point of observation, the 23-year-old Erskine, fast and shifty, may have just the style to bother the big Cuban.

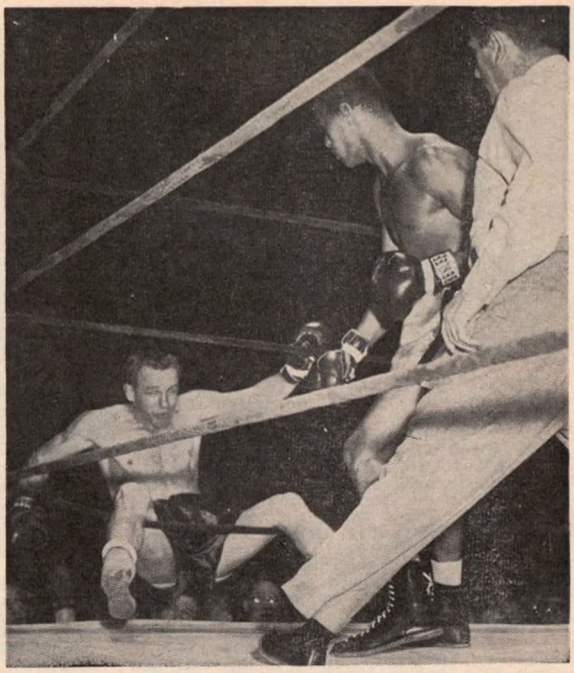
THE month's results: Although he won handily enough, Harold Carter, 194½, Linden, N. J., found substitute Young Jack Johnson, 201, Los Angeles, a much tougher problem than had been expected in a rugged but not particularly exciting ten in Madison Square Garden. The bustling Carter crowded Johnson all the way, concentrating his efforts mainly on body punching, with occasional shifts to the head, but he couldn't seem to make much of an impression on the Californian. Johnson, who flew in from the Pacific Coast to replace ailing Bob Baker on four days' notice, gave a commendable performance, considering the circumstances. Along with his ability to absorb punishment, he displayed fair boxing skill, a snappy right hand, and pushing, leaning tactics that were most disconcerting to Carter in the clinches. Warnell Lester, 181, Bel Air, Md., punched his way to a decision over Dave Bailey, 192¾, Philadelphia, in the semi-final eight. Gale Kerwin, 141,

Valley Stream, was too strong for Nick Gadson, 134, Elizabeth, N. J., in six. In fours, Danny Russo, 149½, Brooklyn, outpointed Bert DeWitt, 145, Newark, N. J.; Joe Baglio, 154½, Brooklyn, was a winner over Art Glass, 151, Dayton, O., and Bernie Jones, 131, Washington, D. C., accounted for the only knockout of the night by polishing off Ralph Armstrong, 132, Bronx, at 2:43 of one round.

▶Referee Ray Miller, who seems to have made a habit of getting involved in "rhubarbs," did it again at St. Nicholas Arena. His action in stopping a scheduled ten between Garnett (Sugar) Hart, 145¾, Philadelphia, and Hector Constance, 146½, Trinidad, with less than a half-round to go, giving Hart credit for a technical knockout, provoked the fans into one of the noisiest outbursts of the season. They felt that Miller was entirely too hasty. Early in the round, during a fast exchange on the ropes, Constance had been jolted by a left hook. His legs buckled and for a few moments Hector seemed in trouble, but he recovered and was using his ring savvy to weather Hart's sizzling assault when Miller suddenly intervened. Until that round it had been an exciting affair between two stylish boxers and fast punchers. Although he suffered a gashed left eyebrow in the fourth and had his mouthpiece knocked out in the seventh. Hart was slightly ahead going into the final round. The 20-year-old Philadelphian found Constance an elusive target to hit solidly with head shots but his lusty body punching had given him the call over Hector's snappy left jabs and right counters. In the semi-final, reduced from six rounds to four, Iggy Maldonado, 130½, Bronx, outpointed Harry Bell, 133, Jamaica. In other sixes, Roger Harvey, 141, Bermuda, trounced Vic Campo, 133½, Brooklyn, and Eddie Thompson, 157½, Cincinnati, halted Joe Lissy, 151, Yorkville, at 1:14 of the fourth. Frank Medly, 137¼, Pleasantville, N. J., decisioned Dick Mackenzie, 141, Harlem, in four, and Paul Berrios, 149, Puerto Rico, did likewise to Felix Machado, 144, Cuba.

▶Previously unrated Gasper (Indian) Ortega, 147, Mexicali, registered his second startling upset in succession by scrambling his way to a split decision over former world welterweight champion Tony DeMarco, 145½, Boston, in a lively ten in Madison Square Garden. The victory followed, by one month, the Mexican's surprising win over Isaac Logart in Boston. In edging his way to the decision over DeMarco, Ortega made good use of his nimbler footwork and longer reach. He got off to an early lead, faded somewhat in the middle rounds, then came on with a strong finish. The chunky, free-swinging DeMarco was aggressor most of the way but, too slow and inaccurate in his punching. Most of Tony's swings either missed entirely or glanced off the bounding Mexican. DeMarco did manage to connect with a few good shots, which jolted Ortega, and one of them should have credited Tony with a knockdown in the fifth. A right caught Ortega off-balance and sent him skidding to his gloves. Referee Al Berl refused to recognize it as a knockdown, however, and called it a slip. In the semi-final, listed for eight, Alex Miteff, 203¼, Argentina, scored his seventh straight victory in North American rings by stopping Bob O'Brien, 193, West Side, at 2:07 of the seventh. Gene Washington, 161, Elizabeth, N. J., decisioned Ricardo King, 159, former Pittsburgher, now living in Harlem. In another scheduled six, cut to four, Barry Allison, 149½, Westover, Mass., won from Tommy Williams, 151½, Washington, D. C. In fours, Primo Arellano, 126½, Houston, Tex., whipped Steve Horvath, 126½, Winston, Canada, and Bobby Jackson, 126¼, Harlem, outpointed Cleo Ortiz, 123, Bronx.

▶Celebrating his return to American rings after a successful campaign in his native Italy, Italo Sortichini, 161¾, edged out a split decision over Hardy (Bazooka) Smallwood, 162½, Brooklyn, in a busy ten at St. Nicholas Arena. It was pretty much of a hit-or-miss affair, with more missing than hitting by both boys. In the sixth, Scortichini missed one swing so completely he went sprawling on the canvas. Smallwood opened a small cut on the Italian's right cheek in the third, but that was the only noticeable facial damage suffered by either. Smallwood was aggressor most of the way but he was too slow for Scortichini and usually came off second best in the exchanges. Scortichini's most effective scoring was with sporadic outbursts of long sweeping swings. The Italian accounted for the best punch of the night when he staggered Smallwood with a looping right in the fourth. The Brooklynite seemed in trouble for a few moments but Scortichini was unable to cash in on his opportunity. Roger Harvey, 145, Bermuda, drew with Johnny Lissy, 144½, Middlesex, N. J., in the semi-final six. Two other sixes produced decisions for Yvon Terenne, 154, Montreal, over Ernie Danlerio, 155, Philadelphia, and Otis Woodard, 160¾, Harlem, over Juan Pomare, 163½, Brooklyn. Joey Augustin, 127¾, Bronx, drew with Johnny Gallazo, 130, East Side, in the opening four.



With advantages in height, reach and weight, stylish Tony Anthony polished off Gordon Wallace in shortest bout of year in Madison Square Garden. Anthony is seen here knocking Wallace through ropes. The Canadian middleweight scrambled back but not in time to beat the count, according to the referee, and Anthony was credited with victory in little more than half a round.

▶Only 637 customers paid to see the first fight card staged in two years at the Westchester County Center in White Plains, but the slim turnout didn't seem to discourage Promoter Al Goodwill, who said he planned to continue operations on a bi-monthly basis. Goodwill appeared encouraged by the lively "fighting card" arranged by Matchmaker Moe Fleischer. It was loaded with action and solid punching. Four preliminaries produced knockouts and both the semi-final six and windup eight were hard-fought affairs. In the top spot, up-and-coming Tony DiBiase, 143, Long Island City, outslugged Mario Pineiro, 143, Bronx. Tony Sansone, 143, Astoria, was a winner over the veteran Fred Monforte, 144¾, Brooklyn, in a free-swinging semi-final. In a give-and-take six, Johnny James, 173, Plainfield, N. J., proved the more durable and stopped Jimmy Clemente, 173, Bronx, at 1:56 of the final round. Three preliminary fours ended in a hurry, Albert Johnson, 156¾, Jamaica, halting Willie O'Brien, 156, West Side, at 1:24 of one round; Kenny Smith, 147, White Plains, needing only ten seconds longer to dispose of Billy Taylor, 151, Harlem, and Wilson Hannibal, 163, Long Island City, finishing Vernon LeMarr, 160, New Brunswick, N. J., in two.

▶In checking the winning streak of Wayne Bethea, 204½, Bronx, at the St. Nicholas Arena, Zora Folley, 187, Chandler, Ariz., shaped up as the best young heavyweight to debut here in some time. Folley looked and acted the part of a fighter who knew what he was doing. He moved smoothly, showed good boxing form and a knowledge of how and when to use his fists. The awkward but powerful Bethea, with his eternal aggressiveness and pushing, leaning, mauling tactics, was a difficult opponent to look good against, but Folley had the right answers for the ponderous Bronxite. He avoided Bethea's rushes by sidestepping and clipping Wayne with hard rights to the head and body. The persistant Bronxite continued to lumber forward, however, and despite Folley's evident superiority in skill, Bethea made the final count close. In losing his first decision in nine starts at the St. Nick, the big fellow came within one point of getting a draw. Referee Teddy Martin, in fact, thought Bethea had won, but Judge Frank Fullman tabbed for Folley, and Judge Leo Birnbaum, after calling it even in rounds, 5-5, cast the deciding tally for Folley in points, 6-5. In the semi-final, listed for six but cut to four because of TV time, John Henry, 190, Brooklyn, whipped Johnny Hoye, 197, former Bostonian now operating out of the Bronx. In two other sixes, Johnny Melendez, 136, Bronx, decisioned Ruby Burns, 136, West Side, and Mickey Crawford, 150, Detroit, stopped Tony Cambria, 155, Reading, Pa., at 2:36 of the fifth. Len Kenthal, 191½, Washington, D. C., outpointed Charley Welton, 191¾, Paterson, N. J., in four, and Primo Arellano, 130, Brooklyn, did the same to Steve Horvath, 130, Toronto, Canada.

▶With big advantages in height and reach, as well as nearly ten pounds in weight, stylish Tony Anthony, 173¾, Harlem, put a quick finish to Gordon Wallace, 164, Brantford, Ont., in their scheduled ten in Madison Square Garden. Anthony required little more than half a round to dispose of the slow, awkward Canadian middleweight who holds the British Empire light-heavyweight title. After staggering Wallace, with a couple of left hooks, Tony used another hook to send Gordon toppling through the ropes and onto the ring apron. With the assistance of a radio announcer in the working press section, Wallace managed to scramble back into the ring and pull himself to his feet just as Referee Barney Felix tolled ten. To many in the ringside it looked as though Wallace had beaten the count, but Felix decreed otherwise and the brief affair was over. Time of round 1:34. A knockdown in the final round earned the decision for Eddie Thompson, 153, Cincinnati, O., over Joe Davis, 147, West Side, in the semi-final six. In other sixes, George Harrell, 159¾, Brooklyn, scored two knockdowns in beating Joe Salvatto, 157½, Bronx; Genorace Armstrong, 156, Roselle, N. J., outpointed George Chimenti, 159½, Porkville, and Willie Davis, 147½, Philadelphia, decisioned Joe Bertone, 150, Pittsburgh. In fours, Al Tisi, 129, East Side, won from Andy Anderson, 122½, Harlem, and Sapo Ortega, 139½, Mexico, stopped Eddie Antonetti, 137½, Puerto Rico, at 1:58 of the first.

▶With a professional record of only seven preliminary and semi-final bouts, all in the United States (although he had more than 100 amateur scraps in South America and won the Pan-American title in Mexico in 1955), Alex Miteff, 199, Argentina, was promoted to his first main event and TV showing here, and for the occasion was presented with a gift decision over Archie McBride, 186½, Trenton, N. J., in a busy ten at St. Nicholas Arena. It was the first time Miteff had gone ten rounds. The route didn't seem to bother him but McBride did. To many of the ringsiders the decision in Miteff's favor was on the sour side. They felt that McBride's smarter boxing and snappier punching more than offset the South American's aggressiveness and harder but erratic left-hooking. Several times the Argentino was warned for hitting low and was penalized one round, the second, for his lack of control. McBride's showing was a pleasant surprise. Out of the ring fifteen months, and supposedly brought back as a soft touch for Miteff's first main bout, Archie displayed very few signs of ring rustiness. He waged a smart, well-paced fight throughout and was in better condition than Miteff in the closing rounds. Judge Tony Castellano rightly voted for McBride,

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

by Charlie Parish

PARIS. There was a packed house at the Palais des Sports to watch Charles Humez tangle with his American conqueror, Ralph Tiger Jones, over ten rounds. The Black Tiger at once started to throw punches to Humez's head and forced the Frenchman back. Humez boxed his way out of trouble but was again thrown on the defensive. Jones copped a nasty counter as round one ended. There was a fierce melee during the next heat, which broke about even but in the third Jones lambasted his rival and followed up the good work during the fourth. By now, Humez was showing signs of wear but in the next session he carried the fight to the American, without doing much more than hold his own, however. He scraped ahead in the sixth and seventh but waited until the eighth before unleashing a furious assault which flung Jones with his back to the ropes. The Tiger returned the fire but the round went to the French battler and in the ninth Jones forced the action, Humez boxing his way out of trouble to break even. Both men were tiring but Humez continued to keep the forceful Jones at distance with his raking lefts and narrowly copped the final session. There were loud roars of approval as Humez was acclaimed winner but the press was more restrained in its enthusiasm.

In two further middles contests, Marius Dori gained the decision over Jean Ruellet and Louis Trochon copped a very unpopular verdict against Jacques Dugènie, both over eight rounds. Emile Vidal halted Lucien Touzard in the seventh of a heavies slam and blond André Pierson upset the comeback canter of Gracieux Lamperti, who lost on points in a feathers eight.

▶ **Pavia,** Italy. Annibale Omodei stopped Mario Calcaterra in the seventh round of a lightweight argument here and a week later, at **Carrara,** he scored a good points win over the Senegalese, Morlay Kamara, over ten. On the same bill, Aldo Pravisani won a perfunctory points win over that regular loser, Jesus Rubio, also in ten. At **Rieti,** Flavio Ciancarelli laced Marcello Giordanella in a lightie eight.

▶ **Courtrai,** Belgium. André Cottyn gained an unsatisfactory win here over the German cruiser. Erwin Hack, who was ruled out for butting in the fifth round, though opinion appeared to be divided. Eddie Kindermans won over Horst Borozowski in a middles eight At **Bruges,** Louis Cabo made a comeback after a long layoff and checked Ray Souply in the fourth of a lightweight debate.

▶ **Bochum,** Germany. Boxing once more gained a foothold in this industrial town which, if nothing else, was the birthplace of Walter Neusel. The most impressive German heavy to appear in recent years, Hans Kalbfell, topped the bill against veteran Hugo Salfeld, whose recent outings have ended in disaster. On this occasion, however, Kalbfell was unable to clout his opponent's feet from under him and ran out good points winner after a rugged scrap. Two other punchers also left their wallops in the dressing-room. Karlheinz Guder licked tough Fritz Wenzel in a middles six and Siegfried Burrow trounced Gerd Moll in a welter six. Hans Strelecki scored an easy points win over Gerhard Stachowitz in a cruiser six and Karlheinz Bick iced Willi Gelhaar in the fourth session of a lightie slam. Alfred Schweer narrowly outdistanced aggressive Joe Buck in a lively feathers six.

▶ **Paris.** At the Salle Wagram, the national flyweight king, Robert Pollazon, offered a return to Guy Schatt, whom he had previously defeated for the title. On this occasion, as before, Schatt had no answer to the champion's awkward southpaw technique and lost handily on points over ten rounds. Chedli Mamouth, Algerian welter, outscored Joseph N'Gan over six. At the Central, Laouri Godih stopped Frank Youst in the ninth of lightweight scramble and Epiphane Akono licked Ahène Attar in a lightie eight. A few days later, also at the Central, Mohamed Taibi checked Jacques Aznavourian, Franco-Armenian middle, in five rounds. At the Stadium, André Valignat was a class too much for Pierre Stanzack, who was taken out of action in the tenth frame of their feathers bout, while André Gasperini beat Alf Vaillant in a bantam eight.

▶ **Oldenburg,** Germany. Günter Hase prepared for his forthcoming bout with Peter Müller, for the vacant middles title, by tackling the nifty French welter Maurice Maury, who went the full ten rounds with the German champion but lost clearly on points. Rudi Langer was too good for Lucien Meraint and thrashed him soundly in a feathers ten while Wenzel Bociek was surprised when tough Michel Dinot held him to a draw in a cruiser six. Dinot has already upset many foreigners in their own bailiwick. Manfred Neuke chilled a fourth Frenchman, faded Jean Archambault, in the second round of a lightweight scrap and Heinz Wischnewski, the fighting waiter, drew with Hans Polklesener in a middles four.

▶ **Oran,** Algeria. Now a fully-fledged lightie, José Hernandez of Spain punched too stiffly for Edouard Ptak and the bout was halted during the eighth round. Bruno Spataro checked Angel Colussi in the fourth of a welter bout and Morsli Sarahoui whipped André Chrétien in a cruiser eight. At **Mont de Marsan,** France, Victor Pepeder came through with another quick win, chilling Marcel Mathieu in the tenth round of a feathers scrap and at **Dijon,** Jo Ventaja kept up the good work by battering Marcel Barthel into submission in seven rounds. The ex-amateur feathers star is still unbeaten in the paid ranks. At **Tours,** Jean Santanbien laced Francois Granger in a lightie ten and Levesque beat Delplace in a bantam eight, while at **Arques,** Roger Facqueur won over modest Camille Milo, Belgium, in a welter ten and René Havet trounced another Belge, Roger Moine, in a feathers six.

▶ **Malaga,** Spain. Two old foes clashed here, Young Martin, European flyweight king, and Antonio Diaz, the Spain's bantam champion. The fight was lively while it lasted with Diaz slightly ahead on points but in the fourth, Martin was ruled out for butting. This was their sixth meeting.

▶ **Rotterdam,** Holland. Pedro Klyssen, great cruiser and heavyweight prospect suffered an unfortunate reverse here which cost him his newly-won crown. A split eyebrow made the ref halt his title-bout with blond Willy Schagen, who now becomes Dutch heavies champ. Wim Snoek, cruiser champ, was impressive in belting out the Spanish cruiser boss, Bautista Navarro, in the seventh round and Snucky De Bruin stopped Fritz Wenzel, Germany, in the fifth round of a middles slam. Harko Kokmeyer was lucky to get the decision over Jimmy Lyggett, the colored German welter, over eight rounds.

▶ **Lisbon,** Portugal. Carlos Rocha, the biggest of that fighting family and currently the Portuguese heavies champion, was rather favored by the ref when declared points winner over wily Don Ellis, American who came in twenty pounds the lighter man but demonstrated enough skill and aggression to have copped the nod.

▶ **St. Lo,** France. Mohamed Tedjini returned to action with a good points win over Messaoudi in a welter ten and Jacques Loit flattened Harel in the third frame of a robust feathers bout. At the Salle Wagram in **Paris,** Germinal Ballarin didn't have much to beat in Manuel Correa, the Spaniard who has gone back quite a bit since he went the distance with Charles Humez. He dropped Correa with a quick one-two in the fourth and when the Spaniard regained his feet at "9", Ballarin moved in for the kill. The ref halted the fight when it was evident that Correa was out on his feet. Francois Anewy, the promising middle from New Caledonia, a French Island in the South Pacific, proved that his recent victorious campaign in West Africa was no accident of fortune by soundly whipping Michel Masson over ten rounds.

▶ **Paris.** At the Mutualite, Maurice Mols successfully defended his heavy title against Michel Aubignat, stopping the stocky challenger in round twelve. Andre Valignat was again in action, licking Tiodmir Zambujo in a feathers ten. At **Cannes,** Francis Magnetto stopped the Italian heavy, Ilario, Suvilla, in the fourth round when the latter retired with an injured shoulder but Gastone Casarico, Italian feather, trimmed Marcel Crampon in eight. At **Rennes,** Lucien Meraint drew with André Granet in a feathers ten and at **Amiens,** Gilbert Lavoine whipped tough Stanis Pasek in a middles ten. The

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

MONTH ENDING DECEMBER 20, 1956

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Gerhard Hecht (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Emilio Marconi (I)
2. Hans Friedrich (G)	Hans Stretz (G)	Tiberio Mitri (I)	Gaetano Garbelli (I)
3. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Peter Muller (G)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)
4. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Charles Colin (F)	Franco Festucci (I)	Val Benedetto (F)
5. Willi Besmanoff (G)	Wim Snoek (H)	Max Resch (G)	Idrissa Dione (F)
6. Kurt Schiegl (A)	Artenio Calzavara (I)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Jacques Prigent (F)
7. Uber Bacilieri (I)	Pedro Klyssen (H)	Guido Mazzinghi (I)	Gunter Hase (G)
8. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Sandro D'Ottavio (I)	Leen Jansen (H)	Ben Buker II (S)
9. Antonio Crosia (I)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Louis Trochon (G)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
10. Robert Duquesne (F)	Ahmed Boulgroune (F)	Richard Bouchez (B)	Maurice Auzel (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Young Martin (S)
2. Felix Chiocca (F)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Aristide Pozzali (I)
3. Bruno Visintin (I)	Rudi Langer (G)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Robert Pollazon (F)
4. Hoacine Khalfi (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Jean Renard (B)	Guy Schatt (F)
5. Laouri Godih (F)	Jules Touan (F)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Jose Ogazon (S)
6. Fred Galiana (S)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Henri Schmid (F)
7. Jose Hernandez (S)	Altidoro Polidori (I)	Piero Rollo (I)	Robert Mouginot (F)
8. Piet V. Klaveren (H)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Luis Romero (S)	Pipo Dionisio (F)
9. Mario Vecchiato (I)	Andre Valignat (F)	Dante Bini (F)	Emile Delplanque (B)
10. Bobby Ros (S)	Giord. Campari (I)	Antonio Diaz (S)	Andre Gasperini (F)

LEGEND:—(A) Austria; (B) Belgium; (F) France; (G) Germany; (H) Holland; (I) Italy; (S) Spain; (SW) Sweden.

semi-finals of the middles tourney at **Granville**, resulted in Michel Diouf besting Roland Romano, Tunisia, over ten and Jacques Barlet outscoring Lou Mourros, also over ten. The Spanish lightweight comer, José-Marie Manrique, outpointed Guernalec in eight. At **Brest**, Robert Tartari, for so long the victim of doubtful points decisions in foreign rings, came into his own by whipping the French title-holder, Dante Bini, in a good bantam ten. Marcel Livet drew with Jacques Bouhier in a lightie eight.

▶ **Milan**, Italy. The much-heralded program featuring Duilio Loi and Sauveur Chiocca at the Sports Palace was something of a let-down. Before tackling the aggressive Felix Chiocca, Loi took the risk of meeting a regular welter but Sauveur lacked the force and initiative of his lighter brother. Both men were risking a good deal and therefore boxed too cautiously, the referee warning the combatants during the fourth round for lack of action. It was an insipid affair and although Loi ran out points winner, he failed as usual to show his best against an opponent inferior to himself. Best bout on the card was the bantam affair between Letterio Petilli and the Spaniard, José Crespo, won by the former over eight rounds. Gheri Fretzghi licked Franco Rizzotti in a welter eight, big Aldo Pellegrini drew with Batiste Hernandez of Cuba in a heavyweight eight, Aristide Pozzali flattened José Alvarez of France in the fourth round of a bantam scrap.

▶ **Barcelona**, Spain. Several times in his career, Bobby Ros has been awarded scandalous decisions. This time, José Hernandez was the victim. After getting the best of nearly every round, Hernandez was declared loser and the verdict nearly lifted the roof off the Stadium. Victoriano Olivares, who rarely wins a bout, was fortunate to get the nod over Germany's Heinz Sattler in a cruiser eight. Previously, in Barcelona, José Luis Martinez celebrated his venture into the feathers division by lacing Manuel Alonso over eight. Later, at the same venue, Ben Buker II outboxed Gil Suarez in a welter ten.

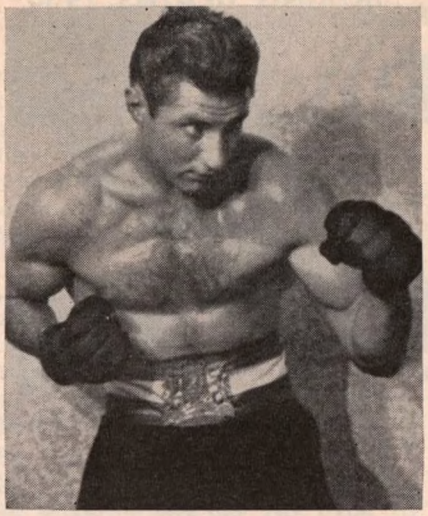
▶ **Soissons**, France. Now at the end of his career, Hans Strelecki could only last out four rounds against the hard punching of Francois Kania in a rugged cruiser bout. At the **Paris** Central, Laouri Godih was in excellent form and completely outboxed Marcel Signet, who retired in the ninth round of their lightweight encounter. At **Rheims**, Jacques Herbillon was again in destructive mood and disposed of Germany's Emil Koch in the eighth of a welter debate while Jean Allain nodded Klaus Miska, also of Germany, in a welter eight.

▶ **Courtrai**, Belgium. The lanky Serge Barthelemy, once a challenger for the French cruiser title, was no soft touch for Joseph Vicky and handed the local fighter such hammering that he was forced to retire in the eighth round.

▶ **Paris.** At the Salle Wagram, Guy Gracia met Fernand Nollet in a semi-final for the national lightweikht crown. It was a thrilling contest with Nollet, the coffee-colored colonial, scraping through with the decision after twelve torrid sessions. Joseph N'Gan won over Bernard Cottet in a welter eight and Ahcène Attar got the verdict over Jean Santanbien in a lightie ten. At **Cambrai**, Robert Duquesne outpointed hardy Michel Lapourielle in a heavy ten, while at **Limgoes**, Jacques Prigent registered a two-round knockout over El Djouer in a welter slam.

▶ **Geneva**, Switzerland. That very promising French lightie, Maurice Auzel, came through with a well-earned points victory over Ray Paini, the Italian, after ten hard rounds.

▶ **Dortmund**, Germany. It must have been like old times for the promoters at the Westphalia Hall when a crowd of 14,000 paid to watch their old favorite, Heinz Neuhaus, fight his way out of the dog-house to recapture his German heavies title from Gerhard Hecht. No longer the battler who fought those stirring bouts with Ten Hoff and Karel Sys, Neuhaus had suffered many reverses in recent times and the crowning indignity, as it were, was to lose that title to a mere lightheavy. Neuhaus 215, opened up at a cracking pace and out manoeuvred the lighter man, 183, for the first three rounds but Hecht caught up in the fourth. Both men then disputed each round with changing fortunes until Hecht caught the challenger in the seventh. Neuhaus was shaken but fought back and regained his slight advantage; he grew stronger in the following rounds and in the eleventh smacked the champion to the canvass for "8". The final round went clearly to Neuhaus, who was acclaimed German champion amid loud applause. Once again, Neuhaus had demonstrated that he is always a capable fighter when he troubles to train.



Wim Snoek, Dutch cruiserweight champion, scored impressively in belting out Bautista Navarro, Spanish light heavyweight champion, in the seventh round at Rotterdam.

Peter Müller had a fairly easy workout at the expense of the Spanish middles champ, Domingo Mena, whom he whipped over eight, and Siegfried Burrow took inside one round to dispose of Camille Milo, Belgian welter. Another Spaniard, Jose Gonzales, who is obliged to do all his fighting abroad for lack of competition in Spain, came in at 185 and upset powerful Gerhard Rode, 205, by whipping the Berliner over eight rounds. Erich Schöppner, 174, was too strong for the Belgian, José Peyre, 210, and won smartly over six rounds while Wenzel Bociek, 178, stopped Max Marsille, Belgium, 206, in the fifth. Judging by these results, weight can be a disadvantage in the heavier divisions.

▶ **Paris.** At the Stadium, Marcel Pigou chalked up another knockout, with Jimmy Lyggett providing the target. The Berlin Negro was counted out in the sixth but some of Pigou's punches were rather unhappily placed. Ray Bénard chilled Marcel Watel in the eighth of a bantam affair. At the **Central**, Christian Marchand outscored Delplace in a bantam eight and Martin Esteban won over Jean Leroux in a flyweight six.

▶ **Lyons**, France. Still much in demand in French rings after his surprise kayo of Ciccarelli, Gerd Müller of Germany nearly scored another sensation here when he smacked welter prospect Pierre Mondino to the deck in the opening heat. But the local got up again, only to cop another beakdenter in the second round. Both men let loose with all they had for a couple of rounds, then Mondino safely stood off and boxed his man, obliging Müller to retire in the eighth with a cut eye. Marcel Guyon stopped the Spanish welter, Folgado, in six. At **St. Brieuc**, heavyweight comer Max Brianto iced Francis Coeuret in two and Gaston Mathieu halted André Clabec in the seventh of a welter debate. At **Nice**, Piai of Italy drew with Alex Smerladi in a lightie eight and René Béolet won an unpopular nod over Belotti of Italy in a feathers six.

▶ **Coutances**, France. Robert Guivarch, recent conqueror of Drille, came through with another win here when he outscored the tall Tunisian, Tino Albanese over ten rounds. Chedeville drew with Bracquet in a welter eight. At **Rosendael**, Jules Lambour retained his Flanders welter title by defeating Jean Gheerardyn over ten rounds. At **Vannes**, Henri Cabelduc won over Emile Carapezzi in a good welter ten. Robert Pollazon starred in **Toulouse**, where he battered the Belgian flyweight king, Emile Delplanque, to defeat within six rounds. Lou Mourros outscored Mohamed Taibi in a middles eight.

▶ **Brussels**, Belgium. The hesitancy and lack of "kill" which has often brought Germinal Ballarin severe criticism in the past was again in evidence when he tangled with the stocky, aggressive Belgian, Jeff Janssens, at the Stadium. Ballarin failed to follow up on many occasions and allowed the forceful Belgian to take liberties which cost him finally the verdict. It was generally felt that Ballarin had done enough to win but the judges though otherwise. As expected, Pierre Cossemyns won the vacant Belgian bantam title by defeating Alex Bollaert over twelve rounds.

▶ **Pavia**, Italy. Young Giordano Campari, one of the busiest and most likely of featherweight comers, scored an upset here by trouncing Sergio Milan, just back from Australia, over ten rounds.

▶ **Paris.** At the Salle Wagram, Laouri Godih disposed of a dangerous adversary when he narrowly outpointed Louis Carrarra in an excellent lightweight ten. Ceslaw Dudek drew with Maner in a middles six, Duchassaing checked Chrétien in the fifth of a feathers fray. At the **Central**, Bernard Belli creased André Couet in the eighth of a middles slam and Baldacchino won over Lucchetti in a welter eight.

▶ **Liege**, Belgium. It takes a good man to beat local judges here and full credit must go to Francois Anewy for pounding out a first-class points win over Kid Dussart in a middles ten. Pierre Wouters recaptured his national welter title from Abel Soudan, who was counted out in the tenth frame of an explosive encounter while Jo Woussem upset title-holder Georges Devos over twelve rounds to become the new lightweight champ. At **Ghent**, Bob Stevens was very lucky to get the verdict over Jean Poisson, smart French middleweight, over ten. On the same card, Richard Bouchez stopped blond Snucky De Bruin of Holland in the eighth round of a one-sided middles contest.

▶ **Paris.** At the Stadium, in three welter bouts, Patureau licked Girod over eight, Medjek won over Chedli Mammouth in eight and Jacques stopped Gerol in five. At the Central Sporting Club, Danté Lepercq returned to action with a win over Jacques Guilbert in a cruiser eight and the Spanish lightie, Angel Argimiro trimmed Jacques Krill over eight. At **Vierzon**, Tony Garcia trounced Ali Oura in a lightweight eight and at **Besancon**, Michel Lombardet did well to get the better of Claude Lapourielle in an excellent welter ten.

▶ **Paris.** A mild stir was caused at the Salle Wagram when youthful Maurice Auzel outscored the "pale puncher", southpaw Jacques Herbillon, in a good welter ten. Joseph N'Gan iced Boudjema in the second frame of another welter bout. At the **Central**, Serge Piniarski returned to form with a points win over Roger Atlan in a middles ten.

▶ **Berlin.** Around 5,000 fans attended the Sports Palace to see Peter Müller win the German middleweight title for the third time. The title became ownerless when Stretz moved into the cruiser division and Müller tangled with welter champ Günter Hase for its possession. Hase was still to inexperienced to upset ring-wise Müller, who fought an unusually clean and unusually unsensational twelve rounds to cop the crown without much exertion. The sensation of the night was provided by a lanky French heavyweight named Robert Duquesne, who against powerful Hans Kalbfell. True to subbed at the last minute for Magnetto form, Kalbfell bounced the visitor on the floor in the opening round and had him down for "9" in the second but this didn't discourage Duquesne one whit. Judging correctly that Kalbfell was relying too much on a big punch to finish the bout, he coolly boxed the Teuton at long-range and skillfully evaded Kalbfell's crude charges, all the time scoring with both hands. At the end of eight rounds, Duquesne was declared winner and Kalbfell suffered his first setback as a paid fighter. Erich Walter did well to outscore Kid Dussart in a middles eight and Kitione Lave, the Tongan Terror, took only a few punches to flatten Günter Nürnberg in a heavies slam. Wenzel Bociek whipped André Dyns of Belgium in a cruiser six and Karlheinz Guder achieved a great success by cleanly knocking out Ernst Zetzmann in the fourth round of a middles collision.

GERMAN BOXING DIARY
By J. A. Tree

DORTMUND: HEINZ NEUHAUS WON BACK HIS HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE by outpointing Gerhard Hecht over twelve rounds at the Westfalen Halle before a crowd of 15,000. Hecht was dropped in the eleventh round.

Wenzel Bociek, Oberhausen, halted Max Marsille, Belgium, in the fifth. Erich Schoppner, Witten, decisioned Josef Peyre, Belgium, in six. Gerhard Rode, Ludenscheid, lost an eight rounder to Jose Gonzales, Spanish heavyweight champion. Siegfried Burrow, Datteln, halted Camille Milo, Belgium, in one. Peter Muller, Cologne, decisioned Spanish middleweight champion Domingo Mena in eight.

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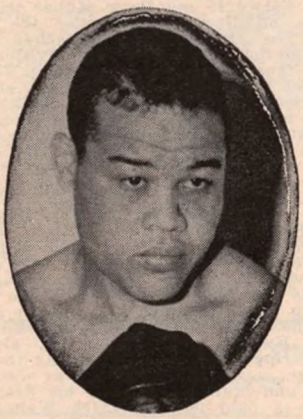

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BOXING DEATHS 1956

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time managers, Charles "Pop" Foster died at 82 at Glendale, Cal. Foster will be remembered for his piloting Jimmy McLarnin to the welterweight championship of the world but he also will recall to the oldtimers a few of his other fighters, men like Joe Gans and Abe Attell.

The death of Frank M. Pat Lester, 54, brings to mind the death of Jack Johnson who passed away in 1946. Lester's claim to pugilstic fame came through his having fought 15 rounds with Johnson in Nogales, Mexico in 1926.

Harry Mendal, International Boxing Club publicity man, passed away at 63; Frankie Jummati, 56, bantamweight contender died; Big Ben Moroz, the late Bill Duffy's, 270 pound heavyweight died at 36.

Death overtook Joe Mandot at New Orleans. Known as "Baker Boy", he was a well known lightweight in the 1920's; Valhalla opened up for the passage of Johnny McCarthy who was a top lightweight from 1910 to 1923; Anthony Samperi also received the final toll. He fought under the name of the orignal Terry Young; Tommy Thomas, 71, who refereed the 1937 world title in which Joe Louis won the crown received the ten count.

Broadway Johnny Cox, who in his time had been a manager, publicist and Ring Magazine Correspondent passed on. He was tagged "Broadway" by the late Damon Runyon, an old friend.

Walt Ketchel died at Pittsburgh. He was a well known light heavyweight between 1930 to 1938; Mike Gibbons, who made middleweight headlines in the 1920's as the "St. Paul Phantom", passed on as did Mike Malone, one time top lightweight who fought Battling Nelson, Willie Richie and Ad Wolgast.

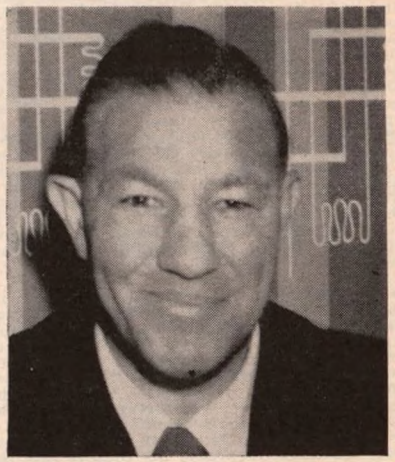
Bert Lippe, second generation of well known fight managers made his last fight and Joseph Bauers, secretary of the Virginia State Athletic Commission was also counted out.

The year saw the death of Elky Clark, Scottish boxer who fought Fidel La Barba for the flyweight title in 1927; one of the original members of the California Boxing Commission passed on, Joseph J. Phillips.

"Oakland" Jack Attell former fighter and fight manager, passed on as did Milwaukee's "Millionaire newsboy" promoter, Frank Mulkern; another promoter and manager, Johnny Rogers, died in Lewiston, Me.

William Lawrence Stribling, known as "Pa", father and manager of the boxer Young Stribling, died at 70. Richard J. McMahon, one-time contender for the world's welterweight title went West.

Passed on: Bobby Manziel, an oil magnate, who on his way up the ladder was a boot black and sparring partner for Jack Dempsey; Chick Simler who fought more than 200 battles between 1912 to 1920. He fought Benny Leonard in a no-decision bout. Another, whose life crossed the late Benny Leonard's was James "Spider" Roche, a former star boxer and sparring partner of Leonard's.



HEART ATTACK FATAL TO EX-CHAMP BOB OLIN

The boxing world in general, and New York fandom in particular, were stunned by the news of Bob Olin's sudden passing just before the Christmas holidays. Victim of a heart attack, the one-time light-heavyweight champion, while a friend called for a doctor, died in his own automobile. Olin was 48.

A product of the Sidewalks of New York, Olin turned professional in 1929 after a successful career in the amateurs. A student of Fordham Law School, Olin gave up a promising career in Wall Street to try his luck in the prize ring. A good boxer and stiff puncher, he won the light-heavyweight title by outpointing Slapsie Maxie Rosenbloom in Madison Square Garden on November 16, 1934. He held the title less than a year, losing it on a decision to John Henry Lewis in St. Louis on October 31, 1935.

Olin retired from the ring after returning from a trip to Australia in 1939. He served with the U. S. Coast Guard during World War II, and upon his discharge entered the bar-and-grill business in New York. At the time of his death he was part owner of Bob Olin's On-the-Park Restaurant on the south tip of Central Park.

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ounces and his opponent's eight.

On September 4, 1956, Amos was fighting Charley Que in Portland, Ore. and knocked Que's mouthpiece out of his mouth. The referee picked it up and aiming at Que's corner, tossed it out of the ring. At the round's end, the seconds couldn't find it and were joined in the search by ushers, cops, and commissioners. Nobody could locate it, and since Que wouldn't continue fighting without it our old friend Amos took another dizzy decision.

Bobby Dykes, in Corpus Christi, Tex. on June 19, figured in a fight which was called three ways before everybody finally settled for a draw. Ahead on points against Frankie Lawson, Dykes suffered a bad cut as the result of a butt, which caused the fight to be stopped in the fifth round.

Lawson first was awarded a TKO. An hour later, the officials decided Dykes should be called winner since he was ahead on points at the time of the accident. Yet another hour later, Commissioner Jack Stone decided a draw would be fair for everybody.

Fighting out in Richmond, Calif., welter contender Ramon Fuentes underwent the embarrassing experience of having his trunks split right down the middle while boxing Mickey Savage last March.

No year is complete without its quota of knocked out "winners" and during 1956, Killer Logan in Hartford, Conn., Jimmy Elliott in Johannesburg, South Africa, and Al Vargas in New Orleans, all were called victors although none of them heard the final bell since they were all unconscious at the time. Elliott, in particular, needed the oxygen treatment to revive him and wound up in the hospital where from his bed he was informed he had won the fight.

Sweethearts have been going into clinches since time began, but it's a pretty safe bet that none of them have ever won boxing gloves while so doing. So for uniqueness, the romance of Ron Wilde, young British middleweight and Miss Margaret Benson, described as a pretty, blue-eyed typist, rates a spot all its own among historical love affairs. Wilde uses his girl friend as a sparring partner! Explaining it this way, "She is faster than the male sparring partners I work with, and has an amazing knowledge of boxing."

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TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

CORPUS CHRISTI:—MICKEY BROWN, 160, HOUSTON, GOT OFF THE DECK TO score a fifth round tkayo over Lester Earls, 160, Austin. Franke Farr, 166, Flour Bluff, hammered out a four round decision over Art "Hurricane" Jones, 166, Houston, in a free swinging battle.

▶ San Antonio:—Raul "Raton" Macias, the great little bantam from Mexico City, again packed them in at San Antonio when he scored a unanimous decision over tough Gaetano Annaloro, veteran Italian fighter. Macias received 100 points on all three score cards. Gilbert Holguin, 146, El Paso, stopped tough Don Glenn, 147, Dallas, in the fifth round of the semi-windup. Reynaldo Terrazas, 146, El Paso, beat Dennis Woodbury, 148, San Antonio, in eight rounds. Eloy Tellez, 163, San Antonio, kayoed Lil' Joe Harris, 162, Austin, in the third. James "Gavilan" Easley, 138, Austin, looked very good in stopping Marcelino Vargas, 136, El Paso, in the opening round. The crowd of 4,091, paid a gross of $10,719.50.

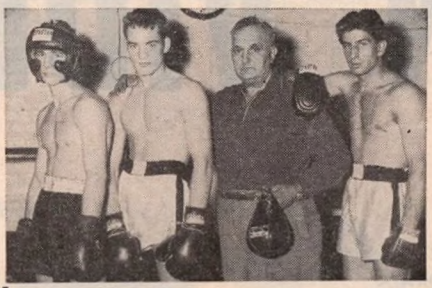
▶ El Paso:—Raton Macias required but one round to stiffen Johnny "Ace" Hand of North Carolina at El Paso before a turnaway crowd.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

BOXING RECEIVED A BLACK EYE IN THE TWO UNPOPULAR DECISIONS rendered by the officiating officials for the Little Cezar-Danny Kid and Saburo Otaki-Arab Jr. bouts. The first bout was for the bantamweight championship of the Philippines which was declared a draw after 12 rounds. Referee Johnny Joseph voted in favor of the challenger Danny, judge Juan Lopez favored Cezar. Judge Peter Baecher declared the bout a draw.

Saburo Otaki, 122, bantamweight champion of Japan, lost to Arab Jr., 120¾, in 10 rounds according to the referee and two judges.

Paulito Escarlan, 126, is again in the limelight after knocking out Terry Rebolado, 128, in the 5th round at Grace Park stadium.



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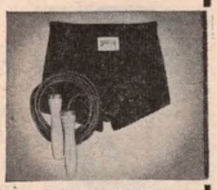

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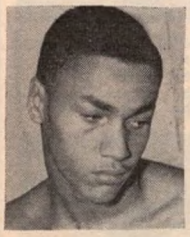

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Hard punching, two fisted sugger. . . . One of the four top lightweights in the world. . . . Only twenty years old. . . . Made pro debut at 16 in Florida rings. . . . Hit the headlines in 1956 with wins over two champions, Wallace (Bud) Smith, Sandy Saddler. . . . Holds victories over Paddy DeMarco, Frankie Ryff, Armand Savoie, Jimmy Carter. . . . Has lost only to Kenny Lane and Orlando Zulueta in last 21 fights. . . . Pride of Marlboro, Conn. . . . He has lost but three of thirty-four fights. . . . Scored 16 K.O.s.

TONY DEMARCO

Former holder of the welterweight championship. . . . Won crown by stopping Johnny Saxton in 14 rounds in April 1955, lost it in thrilling fight to Carmen Basilio. Terrific left hooker. . . . Born in Boston, Mass., 25 years ago. . . . Right name is Leonard Liotta. . . . Made pro debut at 17. . . . Has kayoed Wallace (Bud) Smith, Chico Vejar. . . . Defeated Paddy DeMarco, Kid Gavilan, Vince Martinez, George Araujo, Teddy Davis. . . . Won 53 of 63, scoring 33 knockouts. . . . An idol of the New England boxing fans.

RORY CALHOUN

Darling of the TV fans, a real action fighter, two-fisted body puncher, trained by Charlie Goldman, who says he is a miniature Marciano. . . . Son of a minister. . . . Born in McDonough, Ga., 22 years ago. . . . Now lives in White Plains, N. Y. . . . Won 24 straight before losing close decision to Spider Webb. Has kayoed 13 of his foes. . . . Holds wins over Willie Vaughn, Johnny Sullivan, Charlie Cotton, Randy Sandy, Charlie Salas and Joey Giardello.

ZORA FOLLEY

Promising new heavyweight threat from Chandler, Arizona. . . . 6 ft. 1 inch tall, 24 years old. . . . Was All-Army champion in 1952. . . . Had fine amateur record. . . . A good stand up boxer with fast hands. . . . Won first 19 pro bouts, now has record of 27 wins in 30 starts, including 18 kayos. . . . Recently defeated Roger Rischer to win Pacific Coast championship. . . . Holds wins over Nino Valdes, Wayne Bethea, Howard King, Calvin Brad, Jake Williams. Made impressive TV debut in December. . . .

HARRY CARTER

Aggressive two-fisted swinger from Linden, N. J. . . . Former Golden Glove and amateur champion. . . . Twenty-two years old. . . . Has lost but two of twenty-five, and reversed both of them. . . . Only loss as an amateur was to Floyd Patterson. . . . Holds wins over Johnny Summerlin, Bob Satterfield, Joe Rowan, Young Jack Johnson, Wayne Bethea, Julio Mederos. . . . A hero to the kids who make his Linden restaurant their headquarters. . . . Was an all around athlete in high school.

GENE FULLMER

Is signed to meet Ray Robinson for middleweight crown as we go to press. . . . A real crowd pleaser with a two-fisted walk-in style. . . . Runs a mink farm in West Jordan, Utah. . . . Served two years in Korea with U. S. Army. . . . Had a fine amateur career. . . . Won 29 straight after turning pro. . . . Has won 37 of 40, with 20 kayos. . . . Boasts wins over Charley Humez, Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Gil Turner, Rocky Castellani, Del Flanagan, Peter Muller. . . . 23 years old, 5 ft. 9 inches tall. . . . Popular with TV fans.

CARMELO COSTA

Flashy, speedster from Brooklyn, N. Y. . . . One of the top featherweights. . . . Was an outstanding amateur winning over a dozen titles, including the 1952 national Golden Glove crown. . . . Lost only 2 of 65 bouts. . . . 22 years old, 5 ft. 4½ inches tall, is a fine sandlot baseball shortstop. . . . Nicknamed "Chubby."... Has lost only 5 of 40 pro starts. . . . Holds victories over Vic Towcel, Baby Ortiz, Lulu Perez, Joe Lopes, Bobby Bell, Ike Chestnut, Gene Smith, and Paul Jorgensen.

JOEY GIARDELLO

Hard punching middleweight contender from Philadelphia, Pa. . . . Born in Brooklyn, 27 years ago, right name is Carman Tillelli. . . . Packs a powerful left hook. . . . Married and has two boys. . . . A crowd pleaser. . . . Has been fighting as a pro since 1948. . . . Has won 65 of 82 bouts, 23 by kayos. . . . Holds wins over Joey Giambra, Billy Graham, Charlie Cotton, Bobby Boyd, Ernie Durando, Franz Szuzina, Ralph Jones, Gil Turner, Willie Troy. . . . Has been seen on TV 22 times. . . . Has large following.

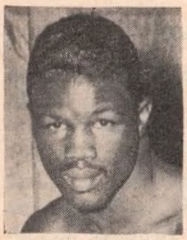
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

CHERIF HAMIA

The number one contender for the Featherweight Title. . . . From French Algeria, a fast moving boxer with a fine left hand. . . . Made a big hit in three American fights, beating Ike Chestnut, Carmelo Costa and Miguel Berrios. . . . Is French champion. . . . 25 years old. . . . Made pro debut in 1953. . . . Has lost only once in 32 fights. . . . Defeated Robert Cohen, Aldo Pravisani, Altidoro Polidori. . . . Is a popular idol of the French fistic followers.

PAUL JORGENSEN

Clever young featherweight contender from Port Arthur, Texas. . . . A student at Houston University. . . . Married, father of a three year old son. . . . A fast moving, fast punching boxer. . . . 5 ft. 8 inches tall, light blond hair. . . . 21 years old. . . . Compiled a fine record as an amateur. . . . One of the busiest ringmen in action today. . . . Has won 46 of 52 fights. . . . Holds wins over Lauro Salas, Lulu Perez, Teddy Davis, Henry Gault. . . . Has reversed five of his losses. Has lost, won and drawn with Carmelo Costa.



GARNETT (SUGAR) HART

Was National A.A.U. lightweight and welterweight champion in 1954. . . . 5 ft. 11 inches tall. . . . 21 years old. . . . Called a new Ray Robinson . . . Compiled an outstanding amateur record. . . . Has lost only one of 18 pro fights. . . . Has kayoed 15 of his foes. Recently handed Hector Constance the first kayo defeat of his career. . . . A fast shifty boxer, with power in either hand. . . . Has defeated Henry Jordan, Earl Dennis, Aman Peck, Roosevelt Coward. . . . Born and still lives in Philadelphia, Pa.

KENNY LANE

Fast rising young southpaw lightweight contender from Muskegon, Mich. . . . 25 years old. . . . 5 ft. 7 inches tall, a crew-cut blond. . . . A stand up boxer with a fine right jab. . . . Has been fighting as a pro since 1953. . . . Has won 44 of 49 contests as a pro. . . . Has recorded victories over Ralph Dupas, Frankie Ryff, Larry Boardman, Ludwig Lightburn, Orlando Zulueta, Richie Howard, Glen Flanagan. . . . Has lost only 1 of last 20 starts. . . . Rated as best southpaw lightweight since Lew Tendler.

TOMMY (HURRICANE) JACKSON

The top ranking contender for Floyd Patterson's title. . . . An unorthodox slugger, has amazing stamina, with which he wears down his opponents. . . . Is one of the TV fan's top favorites. . . . Born in Sparta, Ga., 25 years ago, 6 ft. 3 inches tall. . . . Now lives in Far Rockaway, N. Y. . . . Has been fighting as a pro since 1952. . . . Has lost only 5 of 34, scoring 13 K.O.'s. . . . Defeated Bob Baker, Clarence Henry, Rex Layne, Ezzard Charles, Jimmy Slade, Charley Norkus, Johnny Williams.

ISAAC LOGART

Highly ranked welterweight from Camaguey, Cuba. . . . A fast, shifty boxer-puncher. Is the new idol of Cuban fans. . . . 24 years old. . . . 5 ft. 10 inches tall. . . . Started pro career in Cuba in 1949. . . . Came to the U. S. in 1954. . . . Has lost only 5 of 57 bouts. . . . Has defeated Virgil Akins, Gaspar Ortega, Ludwig Lightburn, Gil Turner, Ramon Fuentes, Joe Miceli, Jed Black. . . . Has scored 18 kayos. . . . Has lost only 3 fights in last four years. . . . Is in line for a title bout with Carmen Basilio.

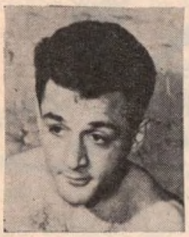
RALPH (TIGER) JONES

Aggressive middleweight contender from Yonkers, N. Y. . . . Born in Brooklyn 28 years ago. . . . Started boxing in the P.A.L. . . . Is one of ten children. . . . Started fighting as a pro in 1950. . . . Handed Ray Robinson his lone loss on Sugar Ray's comeback. . . . A top TV favorite. . . . Has appeared on TV 28 times. . . . Has fought all of the top men, holding wins over Charley Humez, Johnny Bratton, Bobby Dykes, Georgie Johnson, Al Andrews. . . . Has won 39 of 59. . . . A two-fisted action plus crowd pleaser.

EDDIE MACHEN

Undefeated heavyweight threat from Redding, Calif. . . . Winner of the Ring's Progress Award for 1956. . . . Recently married. . . . 6 ft. tall . . .solidly built 195 pounder. . . . Good boxer, hard puncher Has kayoed 14 of his 19 victims. . . . Defeated Nino Valdes, Julio Mederos, Johnny Holman, Johnny Summerlin, Ben Wise, Howard King. . . . Won first ten starts by K.O. route. . . . Has scored six one round kayos. . . . Made pro debut in 1955. . . . 24 years old. . . . Very popular with West Coast fans.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES



VINCE MARTINEZ

Classy, clever, hard hitting welterweight contender from Paterson, N. J. . . . Born in Mt. Kisco, N. Y. . . . 28 years old. . . . 5 ft. 10 inches tall. . . . A good looking idol of bobby-sox fight fans. . . . A picture boxer, with a sharp right hand. . . . Had a fine record as an amateur, winning many titles. . . . Made pro debut in 1949. . . . Has recorded 53 wins in 57 fights. . . . Never knocked out. . . . Defeated Don Williams, Chico Vejar, Carmine Fiore, Chuck Davey, Art Aragon, Peter Muller, Miguel Diaz.

PAOLO ROSI

Hard punching lightweight . . . Born in Rieti, Italy in 1928 . . . Now makes his home in New York. . . . A fast handed boxer-puncher . . . Has lost but two fights since coming to America in 1952 . . . Has beaten Baby Vasquez, Joe Lopes, Henry Brown, Eddie Compo, Lulu Perez . . . Only 3 losses in 27 fights . . . Has K.O.'ed 11 . . . Won 39 straight bouts as an amateur . . . 5 ft. 7 inches tall, light blond hair . . . Has never been floored, only kayo loss to Orlando Zulueta on a cut eye.

JOE MICELI

Crowd pleasing welterweight from New York's East Side. . . . Packs a powerful left hook. . . . A tough slugger who has met all of the top men in his class. . . . 27 years old. . . . 5 ft. 11 inches tall. . . . Served two years in U. S. Army. . . . Started pro career in 1948. . . . Has appeared on TV 24 times. . . . Holds triumphs over Ike Williams, Virgil Akins, Wallace (Bud) Smith, Art Aragon, Ramon Fuentes, Danny Giovanelli, Stan Harrington. . . . Scored 49 victories in 84 fights, including 23 kayos.

CHUCK SPIESER

Highly ranked light heavyweight challenger for Archie Moore's title. . . . Former N.C.A.A. champion served in the Air Corps as Captain . . . Graduated from Michigan State . . . 5 ft. 10 inches tall . . . light blond hair . . . Born and still lives in Lansing, Mich. . . . 28 years old. . . . He has won 19 of 23, with 12 knockouts . . . Kayoed Willie Troy, Paddy Young, Willi Hoepner, Joey Rowan. . . . Fought Willie Patsrano to a draw. . . . A powerful right hand puncher, with a walk in style.

GASPAR ORTEGA

An aggressive crowd pleaser from Mexico . . . Of Mexican-Indian descent . . . 21 years old, 5 ft. 10 inches tall . . . Was Mexican Golden Glove lightweight champion in 1952 . . . Made pro debut in 1953 . . . Has won 35 of 43 fights, scoring 15 kayos . . . Recently scored upset wins over Isaac Logart and Tony DeMarco . . . Also has beaten Tex Gonzales, Hardy Smallwood . . . Has become a favorite of New York fans . . . a durable youngster with fast hands, and plenty of ring savvy.

HANS STRETZ

European light heavyweight champion . . . Number one contender for World title . . . Born in Erlangen, Germany in 1928 . . . 5 ft. 11 inches tall . . . Started pro career in 1948 as a welterweight . . . Has won over Randy Turpin, Willi Hoepner, Dogomar Martinez, Alex Buxton, Johnny Sullivan, Billy Kilgore, Franz Szuzina, Peter Muller, Gerhard Hecht . . . Has lost but 8 of 85 . . . Scored 33 kayos . . . A crafty boxer-puncher . . . Won only American fight from Billy Kilgore in 1954 . . . Will be back for U. S. invasion shortly.

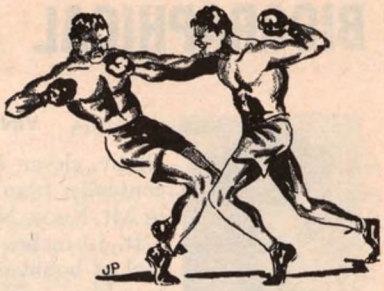
WILLIE PASTRANO

Boxing master from New Orleans . . . Started pro career in 1951 at 16 . . . Born in New Orleans in 1935 . . . Began fighting as a lightweight, now a top heavyweight challenger . . . Has not lost a fight since 1953. . . . Holds triumphs over Joey Maxim, Rex Layne, Chuck Spieser, Pat McMurtry, Paddy Young, Johnny Arthur, Charley Norkus . . . Fastest big man in the ring today, a fine defensive boxer, has a stinging left jab . . . Has lost about 4 of 48 fights. . . . Has never been floored.

ELLSWORTH (SPIDER) WEBB

Former National Collegiate champion from Idaho State College . . . Served three years in Armed Forces . . . Was an outstanding amateur . . . Born in Los Angeles, Calif. . . Now lives in Chicago, Ill. 24 years old . . . A fast, shifty boxer, with a sharp right hand . . . Has lost only once in 19 pro starts . . . Has scored 11 knockouts . . . Has won last 17 straight . . . Has kayoed Jimmy Martinez, Bobby Boyd, defeated Holly Mims, Charlie Cotton, Rory Calhoun, Charlie Green . . . One of the top middleweights.

RESULTS OF THE MONTH



THE final month of the year was one of the most active in 1956. It brought into action top men in all divisions, with several championship bouts adding to the interest.

Since this is our Annual Ratings of Boxers issue, "The Fighter of the Month" and the Month's Best Prospects have been eliminated. Here are the month's leading results:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Floyd Patterson won vacant world heavyweight crown by knocking out light heavyweight titleholder Archie Moore, 5.

Eddie Machen outfought Johnny Summerlin, 10.

Bob Satterfield kayoed Warnell Lester, 10.

Zora Folley outpunched Wayne Bethea, 10.

Nino Valdes stopped Dick Richardson, 8.

Harry Matthews outpointed Alvin Williams, 10. Willy Schagen regained Dutch title by stopping Pedro Klyssens, 11. Buddy Turman kayoed Ponce deLeon, 4. Portuguese Champion Carlos Rocha edged out Don Ellis, 10.

Johnny Arthur retained South African title by stopping Dries Niemann, 3. Roy Harris halted J. D. Marshall, 2. Emile Vidal stopped Lucien Touzard, 7. Bert Whitehurst lost to light heavyweight Harold Johnson, 10. Robert Duquesne handed Hans Kalbfell first pro defeat 12 straight wins, 8.

George Chuvalo won from Bob Biehler, 8. Alex Miteff stopped Bob O'Brien, 7, and bested Archie McBride, 10. Mike DeJohn kayoed Moses Graham, 1. Dale Hall kayoed Luther Brakfield, 2.

Jeff Dyer whipped Oliver Wilson, 8. Bob Butcher stopped Walter Robinson, 2. Benny Thomas beat Johnny Gray, 6. Eddie Cato kayoed Tommy Fields, 5.

Crowe Peele beat Neil Welch, 6. Wilbur Dilly won from Charley Terrell, 5.

Fernando Fala decisioned James Wiley, 6. Jackie Torney kayoed Cordell Jones, 3. George Kennedy stopped Nick Vasquez, 4.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Chuck Spieser kayoed Willi Hoepner, 2.

Randy Turpin won vacant British title by stopping Alex Buxton, 5.

Tony Anthony kayoed Gordon Wallace, 1.

Harold Johnson returned to action after a long layoff and beat heavyweight Bert Whitehurst, 10.

Alvin Williams lost to heavyweight Harry Matthews, 10.

Bobby Lane kayoed Billy Kilgore, 4. Ted Doncaster outpointed Gerry Tessier, 12. George Jarosch whipped Ricco Brooks, 8. Julia Carreras kayoed heavyweight Cecilio Valdes, 8.

Dutch Champion Wim Snoek polished off Spanish title-holder Bautista Navarro, 7. Al Sparks halted Howard Lee, 7. Les Tanno beat Cliff Gray, 8. George Kartalian stopped Johnny Odom, 5.

Lonnie Malone stopped Charley Que, 4, bested Frankie Haynes, 6, and drew with Monroe Ratliff, 6. Roque Maravilla stopped Ivan Johnson, 2. Bill Viator kayoed Ed O'Hara, 2, and edged out Cal Brad, 8. Bobby Kilbreth beat Gunboat Steeves, 6.

Fred Lewis kayoed Hal Boyer, 2, Nolan Levinson, 3, and Junior Williams, 2. Artie Dixon bested Sonny Hett, 6, Sonny kayoed Henry Bronko, 4. L. J. Thompson halted Willie Lee, 3.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Joey Giardello defeated Charlie Cotton, 10.

Yama Bahama won from Jimmy Martinez, 10.

Jimmy Beecham edged out Sugar Boy Nando, 10.

Ellsworth (Spider) Webb outfought Charlie Green, 10.

Neal Rivers edged out Charley Joseph, 10.

Joey Giambra edged out Sammy Walker, 10, and Rocky Castellani, 10. Rocky beat Al Andrews, 10, while Al won over Joe Schmolze, 10.

Franz Suziana kayoed Charlie Cotton, 3. Willie Vaughn stopped Felix (Choo Choo) Benson, 4.

Peter Muller won vacant German title by beating Gunter Hase, 12. Louis Trochan polished off Franco Festucci, 6. Chico Vejar bested Phil Rizzo, 10. Italo Scortichini won from Hardy Smallwood, 10.

Eddie Thompson whipped Joe Davis, 6, and kayoed Joe Lissy, 5. Wilf Greaves halted Terry Rindal, 2. Paul Pender edged out Jimmy Skinner, 10. Sacramento Benitez kayoed Joe Castaneda, 2. Joe was then kayoed by Rudy Rodriguez in 1. Barry Allison kayoed Ben Jones, 4.

George Cheminti beat Sandi Chani, 6, but lost to Genorace Armstrong, 6. Jorge Aguilar defeated Bombon Juarez, 10. Andy Mayfield bested Jerry Fowler, 8. Eddie Smith whipped Clarence Harbin, 6. Leo Owens halted Bob Barksdale, 1. Victor Torres stopped Gabriel Barragan, 5. Joe Salvato kayoed Lee Williams, 3, but lost to George Harrell, 6. Jimmy Robinson kayoed Rudy Watkins, 4. Otis Woodard upset Juan Pomare, 6. John Hutchins kayoed Archie Whitfield, 1.

Jackie Williams halted Dick Lane, 5. Billy Collins stopped Bobby Jackson, 6. Jimmy McNamara kayoed Gordon McDugan, 4. Johnny O'Brien defeated Milton Ebbs, 6. Gene Washington beat Ricardo King, 6. Yvon Turnne defeated Ernie DeLaurio, 6. Marcel Pigou disposed of Jimmy Lyggett, 6. Johnny Heard halted Willie Lewis, 4.

Mickey Crawford stopped Tony Cambria, 5. Robert Guivarch outfought Tino Albanese, 10. Mickey Brown kayoed Lester Earls, 5. Dick Lowery beat Joe Frye, 6. Henry Ray won from Arthur Johnson, 6. Ray Elliott kayoed Rock Norton, 3.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Art Aragon kayoed Gene Poirier, 3.

Walter Byars upset Kid Gavilan, 10, and beat Steve Ward 12.

Somdez Yontrikat stopped Teruo Matsuyama, 6.

Garnett (Sugar) Hart stopped Hector Constance, 10. Kid Fichique scored over Louis Carr, 10 (twice). Charley Scott halted Ernie Burford, 8. Wayman Dawson upset L. C. Morgan 10. Pierre Wouters recaptured Belgian title by kayoing Abel Soudan, 10.

Peter Waterman outscored Idrissa Dione, 10. Gerald Grey outscored Phil Burton, 10. Archie Whitewater halted Joey Durando, 4. Spanish Champion Ben Buker II outpointed Gil Suarez, 10 (non-title). Johnny Eubank won from Charlie Glover, 10. El Conscripto won from Pinkey Peralta, 10. Peralta stopped Johnny Ramirez, 5.

Frank Skidmore beat Dave Johnson, 10. Tony DiBiase whipped Mariano Pineiro, 8. Babe McCarron beat Butsy Gallant, 10. Jimmy Peters kayoed Bobby Freeman, 4. Bob Terrance stopped Sherman Liggins, 5 Willie Johnson stopped Gordon Van Loo, 5. Gomero Brennan stopped Rocky Randell, 5. Giancarlo Garbelli stopped Andre Mauguin, 5.

John L. Perry defeated Aman Peck, 8. Rudolph bested Jimmy Ford, 10. Euardo Lozano stopped Chucho Olmos, 8. Sauveur Chiocca outpointed by lightweight Duilio Loi, 10. Rudy Sawyer stopped Willie Eaton, 3.

Jimmy Carter defeated Cooter Parker, 8. Seraphin Ferrera kayoed Ghezi Fretzghi, 7. Corrado Moncarcella kayoed Gus Thompson, 3. Kid Juarez and Fidel Hernandez drew, 10. Ray Terrazas won from Dennis Woodbury, 8. Grant Campbell beat Joe Walcott, 6, and kayoed Amos Vincent, 2.

Johnny Lissy and Roger Harvey drew, 6. Johnny then last to Stefan Redl, 8. Rudy Gwin stopped Dudley Chavis, 5. Don Weller whipped Benny Montoya, 6. Irvin Chaline defeated Gil Tapia, 6. Joey Lewis kayoed Dave Cheatum, 4. John Tombley won from George Cooper, 6. DeWitt Lewis stopped Connie Citizen, 2. Gilbert Holguin stopped Don Glenn, 5. Al Wilson defeated Pat Lowry, 10.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

European Champion Duilio Loi scored victories over Chiocca brothers, defeating welterweight Sauveur and lightweight Felix in non-title tens.

Johnny Gonsalves outpointed Jiro Sawada, 10. Ralph Dupas won from Siegfried Burrows, 10.

Willie Toweel outpointed Richie Howard, 10. Don Jordan kayoed Enrique Esqueda, 1.

Tommy Romulo stopped Chico Arroyo, 4. Alex Vargas and Teddy Davis drew, 10. Alex then stoppel Dennis Woodbury, 7. Bobby Courchesne kayoed Stony Goudette, 3. Enrique Gomez kayoed Joel Gutierrez, 6.

Baby Cochet defeated welterweight Jose Ramon Flores, 10. Lahouari Godih continued along winning way by stopping Marcel Signet, 8, and beating Louis Carrarra, 10. Manuel Mendoza defeated Fidel Lucero, 12. Unbeaten Ron Krogh scored 11th straight win, 10th by kayo, by stopping Young Layton, 13. Tato Menendez defeated Fernande Silva, 10. Federico Plummer won from Chivo Orta, 10.

Jose Arguelles beat Tobe Penaloza, 10. Bobby Ros edged out Jose Hernandez, 10. Katsumi Kosaka defeated Toshiharu Ogoshi, 10. Bruno Visintin stopped Colin Clarke, 11. Floyd East outboxed George Steel, 8.

Bobby Scanlon bested Harvey Charles, 8. Beto Gonzalez kayoed Negro Sandoval, 4. Al Estrada and Ray Portilla drew, 10. Ralph Cervantes bested Don Mason, 6, but was stopped by Kid Centella, 4. Manuel (Kid) Castro stopped Jack Parelli, 7, but lost to Lou Filippo, 10. Geoffrey Paugham won over Indian Bisbe, 10. Luciano Gonzalez defeated Carlos Barragan, 10.

Angel Garcia won from Juan Medina, 8. Luis Ruiz kayoed Raul Torres, 6. Star Gony drew with Rocky Kalingo, 10. Domingo Hidalgo won from Daladier Urista, 8, and drew with Manuel Varela, 8. Plummer Willis beat Arnold Sparks, 6.

Albino Trevino and Chino Castillo drew, 10. Carlos Arregui defeated Chino Gomez, 10. Luis Diaz kayoed Kid Sonora, 1. Sapo Ortega stopped Eddie Antonetti, 1. Bombero Gonzalez defeated Jose Tinoco, 10. Coca Kid stopped Eduardo Almazan, 7.

George (Kid) Ross won from Stony Gaudette, 6. Jo Woussem became Belgian champion by scoring upset decision over Georges Devos, 12. Floyd East kayoed Pete Carrizales, 3. Robert Oliphant bested Earl Hines, 6. Stan Fitzgerald beat Les Bohles, 6. Aurelio Delgado won from Joe Santiago, 6.

Jimmy McGinnis kayoed Joe Baker, 1. Nolan Duplessis won from Kenny Decaroux, 6. Luke Easter kayoed Paul Baker, 2. Carlos Ortiz stopped Phil Kim, 9.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

French Champion Cherif Hamia whipped lightweight Giovanni Paini, 10.

Jose Cotero won from Dave Gallardo, 10. Antonio (Puppy) Garcia defeated Pete Kawala, 10.

Ike Chestnut outscored Tommy Bain, 10. Humberto Carrillo won over Beto Carbajal, 10. Emilio de la Rosa stopped Raul Solis, 5.

Larry Bataan stopped Al Cruz, 5. Angel Guerrero upset Victor Manuel Quijano, 10. Quijano defeated Chucho Mejia, 10.

Unbeaten Bobby Neil registered 15th victory (12th by kayo) by demolishing British Champion Charley Hill, 1 (non-title).

Julian Velasquez outpointed Billy Evans, 10. Ernesto Figueora won from Cesar Saavedera, 10. Jesus Santa Maria beat Melvin Bourne, 10. Yuyin Trejo beat Felipe Novelo, 8, and Carlos Tamayo, 8. Mike Hernandez beat Cesar Morales, 8. Apolinar Huerta bested Manny Delgado, 10.

Carlos Ortiz won over Eulalio Diaz, 8. Paulito Escarlan kayoed Terry Rebolado, 5. Mike Rios beat Gregorio Medina, 8. Vic Fuentes halted Tenejeros Boy, 4. Roy Hernandez beat Memo Baltazares, 10.

Jose Blanco stopped Baby Rosales, 2. Kid Leoncito kayoed Lucio Torres, 6. Lalo Camarena won from Cheto Vazquez, 8. Zurdo Espinosa won over Henry Macias, 10. Bobby Robledo stopped Joey Trujillo, 5.

Bobby Soares stopped Bobby Chabot, 5. Roberto Ortega defeated Al Olivera, 10. Junior Flores kayoed Mutt Dennis, 5. Juanene Garcia won from Alvaro Collado, 8. Pat McCarthy halted Nick DeVano, 5, and beat Ray McNeil, 6.

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WORLD OUTLOOK PROMISING

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weight Sauver in Milan, Duilio ambled to Paris to repeat against lightweight Felix.

Another veteran, supposedly passe and retired two years, conducted a fine "comeback" during the year. He was Luis Romero, the Spanish southpaw and one-time European bantam champion. At 35, Luis couldn't resist the temptation to take another flier in the ring, and as a featherweight he put together an impressive record in 1956. Unbeaten in a dozen starts, his most important wins were knockouts of such Spanish rivals as Manuel Salcedo, Jose Luis Martinez and Juan Cadalso.

PROMISING YOUNGSTERS MOVE UP.

Boxing in general showed a slight improvement in Britain during the year, with interest revived somewhat by several up-and-coming youngsters replacing fading veterans. Offsetting the disappointing showings of welterweight Peter Waterman in two bouts with Kid Gavilan and heavyweight Dick Richardson's disastrous meeting with Nino Valdes, other British kids made rapid strides toward headline status. Probably the best were heavyweight Joe Erskine of Wales and featherweight Bobby Neill, transplanted from Scotland to London. Many of Britain's important shows are likely to center around these newcomers in 1957.

Ingemar Johansson's spectacular knockout of Franco Cavicchi for the European heavyweight title is expected to have an invigorating effect on boxing not only in Sweden but throughout Scandinavia, where the trade has been virtually non-existent in recent years.

Despite restless, uncertain, conditions, most of the European continent is looking forward to lively developments in boxing in 1957, with some fine young talent coming along, particularly in France, Italy, Spain and Germany.

THE "DARK CONTINENT."

Troubled times made boxing promotion a risky venture in the North African lands of Egypt, Algeria and French Morocco and comparatively few shows were staged during 1956, but Tunis offered cards on a fairly regular basis and a slight "boom" was reported in the Spanish Moroccan seaport town of Melilla.

Operating on a monthly schedule, Abidjan in French West Africa drew well enough to bring in some of the better fighters from Europe to meet local favorites.

Boxing also continued at a brisk pace in the British West African colonies of Nigeria and the Gold Coast, with native talent featured.

There was no appreciable change in boxing's status in either South Africa or Australia, two of the most sports-minded lands in the world.

Naturally, any nation must have popular home talent to whet the interest and excite the enthusiasm of the populace. In this respect, South Africa seems to be constantly and amply supplied. As former favorites peter out and fade away, newcomers invariably are moving in to replace them.

Most of South Africa's main promotions in 1956 were built around Willie, youngest of the prolific Toweel clan, who moved up into the lightweight division during the year, and two middleweight rivals, Jimmy Elliott and Mike Holt.

Australia hasn't been quite so lucky as South Africa in recent years. Since the tragic ending of Dave Sands and the retirement of Jimmy Carruthers, the island continent, with all its ring activity, hasn't been able to produce an outstanding native son, but the promoters have been fortunate in one respect. The steady flow of immigrants from Europe has helped to keep interest at a high plane. The "New Australans," particularly the Italians, are rabid fans, and the promoters have cashed in handsomely by importing teams from Italy and other European countries. Quite a few of these importations have liked Australia so well they have decided to remain there, and several of them, after becoming citizens, have gone on to win national titles.

The recent Olympiad and the opening of the new Melbourne Stadium, to replace the one burned down two years before, were expected to have an invigorating effect on Australian boxing in general.

Boxing in 1956 continued at a fairly active pace in Thailand, Japan and the Philippines, but there were few happenings of major importance in any of these Far Eastern lands.

TALENT PLENTIFUL

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as is Ken McCurry of Charlotte, N. C. who has flattened three of his five victims.

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

BELFAST. Jimmy Brown, Belfast, 127½, chalked up his 18th successive victory at the expense of Charlie Tucker, Camberwell, 128½. Tucker started well, but Brown gradually warmed up and by the fifth session had the Camberwell lad in trouble, and Tucker retired when the round ended.

Paddy Graham, Belfast, 137½, boxed extremely well to outpoint Alby Tissong, South Africa, 135½, over eight rounds. . . . Boswell St. Louis, Trinidad, 137, stopped Al Sharpe, Belfast, 135½, in the eighth. . . . Chic Brogan, Clydebank, 120, stopped Ronnie Currie, Belfast, 119½, in the fifth session. . . . Jim 'Spike' McCormack, Belfast, 135, outpointed Jimmy Cottrill, Birkenhead, 141, over eight. . . . Jim Fisher, Belfast, 129, outpointed Davey Croll, Dundee, 128½, over eight fast rounds

▶WALWORTH. Freddie Cross, Nuneaton, 157½, outpointed Gerry McNally, Liverpool, 161, over eight rounds. . . . Terry Toole, Hackney, 122, and Alan Sillett, Acton, 120¼, drew over eight good rounds. . . . George Martin, Bermondsey, 134½, outpointed Ray Akwei, Gold Coast, 137½, over six rounds. . . . Selwyn Langford, Slough, 115, outpointed Bobbie Robinson, Newcastle, 114½, over six. . . Barney Beale, Lambeth, 138, outpointed Johnny Cheatle, Portsmouth, 139, over six. . . . Billy Corcoran, Acton, 147½, outpointed Don Symons, Bellingham, 149, over six rounds.

▶ABERGAVENNY. Luis Van Hoeck, Brussels, 137, outpointed Willie Lloyd, Welsh lightweight champion, 136, over ten hectic rounds. . . . Teddy Best, Cardiff, 136½, stopped Parry Dando, Newbridge, 140, in the fifth, after dealing out heavy punishment. . . Noel Trigg, Welsh lightheavyweight champion, 172½, outpointed Johnny Williamson, Gloucester, 171½, over eight rounds. . . . Cliff Purnell, Bath, 192, outpointed Redvers Sangoe, Cardiff, 187, over eight. . . . Dai Merchant, Cardiff, 127¼, was a clear cut six rounds points winner over Teddy Barker, Swindon, 132. . . . Peter Perkins, Newport, 149, and Johnny McMullen, Cardiff, 147½, drew over six rounds.

▶LIVERPOOL STADIUM. Jimmy Croll, Dundee, 148, and Gordon Goodman, Christchurch, 143½, drew over eight rounds. . . . Frankie Kelly, Liverpool, 122¾, stopped Eddie Burns, Liverpool, 122½, in the fifth of an eight rounder. . . . Bill Boyd, Birkenhead, 159, outpointed Johnny Stansfield, South Africa, 163, over six rounds. . . . Bob Roberts, Birkenhead, 146½, knocked out Cliff Lawrence, Rotherham, 148, in the second. . . . Johnny Barr, Stockport, 131, stopped Billy Anderson, Liverpool, 128½, in the second round when Anderson had a badly gashed eyebrow.

▶WEMBLEY TOWN HALL. George Martin, Bermondsey, 135¾, outpointed Norman Verron, Channel Islands, 134, over six rounds. . . . George Smith, Peckham, 148, was stopped by Billy Keirnan, Shepherd's Bush, 145, in the fifth. . . . Tony Ratcliffe, Bristol, 158½, stopped Billy Collins, Stepney, 159, in the first round. . . . Don Coshirel, Alderney, 119¼, outpointed Bill Downer, Stoke Newington, 117½, over six rounds. . . . Jimmy Burke, Acton, 175¾, knocked out Henry Gorman, Gloucester, 172, in the first round. . . . Arthur Devlin, Millwall, 127½, stopped Peter Sexton, Camberwell, 126, in the second round when Sexton suffered a badly cut eyebrow. . . . Danny Wall, Wembley, 173½, stopped Frank Davies, Gloucester, 165½, in the fourth.

▶PRESTON. Jackie Butler, Preston, 145½, knocked out Vic Smith, Croydon, 141½, in the sixth of an eight rounder. . . . Nyke Ankrah, Gold Coast, 126, stopped Billy Ashcroft, Wigan, 128¼, in the fourth. . . . John Charles, Coventry, 149, outpointed Brian Petherwick, Preston, 152, over six. . . . Alf Cottam, Preston, 129, narrowly outpointed Charlie Odumasi, Gold Coast, 129, over six. . . . Johnny Mercer, Nottingham, 146, outpointed Arnold Beaumont, Leeds, 146½, over six.

▶BLACKPOOL. Gerry McStravick, Ireland, 147, won a disputed eight rounder from Joe Rufus, Nigeria, 145. There was little to choose at the end, but Rufus had certainly had the better of the later rounds, and the decision was hotly booed.

Alan Hands, Blackpool, 190, outpointed Dennis Lockton, Manchester, 184, over six. . . . Pat Donald, Dublin, 140½, stopped Jed Kerpack, Blackpool, 143, in the fourth. . . . Roy Allway, Halifax, 147, outpointed Bobbie Gill, Birkenhead, 145½, over four rounds. . . . Gerry Jones, Wigan, 119, outpointed Lol Reaney, Southport, 119, over four rounds.

▶WILLENHALL. Malcolm McLeod, Coventry, 112, won from Eric Brett, Retford, 115½, over eight rounds. . . . Andy Baird, Birmingham, 138, outpointed Bryan Phillips, Fishguard, 134, over eight. . . . Eddie Bee, Cardiff, 148, outscored Johnny Griffith, Leicester, 147, over six. . . . Derek Liversige, Retford, 148, outpointed Jacob Dempsey, Antigua, 150, over six. . . . Des Wilkins, Wednesbury, 148, outpointed Joe Greer, Coventry, 143, over six.

▶GLASGOW. Dick Currie, Glasgow, 112, outpointed Francesco Carreno, Spain, 113, over ten rounds. Currie was an easy points winner.

Matt Fulton, Coatbridge, 128, outpointed Francis Bonnardel, France, 128, over eight rounds. . . . Malcolm Grant, Glasgow, 119, outpointed Archie Downie, Glasgow, 119¼, over eight rounds. . . . Jim Reilly, Twechair, 173½, stopped Jack Scott, Preston, 166½, in the second. . . . Johnny Wollard, Glasgow, outpointed Jack Stansfield, South Africa, over eight rounds.

▶CARLISLE. Tony McCrorey, Greenock, 132½, outpointed Derek Clarke, Burnley, 135½, over eight. . . . Tex Williams, Carlisle, knocked out Malcolm Tiffany, Castleford, in the first. . . . Ronnie Barnard, Carlisle, outpointed Billy Kirk, Wakefield, over four rounds. . . . Danny Morgan, Pontefract, took a six-round points win over Jock McAuley, Newcastle. . . . Ray Jones, Cockermouth, outpointed Tony Russell, Leeds, over six.

▶LIVERPOOL STADIUM. Tommy Molloy, Liverpool, 145, kept his unbeaten record intact when he outpointed Peter Smith, Huddersfield, 147½, over eight rounds. . . . Len Mullen, Glasgow, 169½, outpointed Danny Wall, Wembley, 171, over six rounds. . . . Gerry Bedford, Pontefract, 148, outpointed Del Willis, Manchester, 142½, over six rounds. . . . Teddy Burnett, Cardiff, 135, outpointed Jimmy Cottrill, Birkenhead, 138, over six rounds. . . . Billy Riley, Liverpool, 146, outpointed Roy Always, Halifax, 145, over four rounds.

▶WALSALL. Ronnie Rush, Cardiff, 137, outpointed Andy Baird, Birmingham, 138, over eight rounds. . . . Des Wilkins, Wednesbury, 151, outpointed Tommy Ennifer, Leamington, 161, over six. . . . Joe Greer, Coventry, 147, stopped John Charles, Rugby, 148, in the fourth. . . . Stan Cullis, Coventry, 168, knocked out Harry Gorman, Gloucester, 174, in the first . . . Dai Marchant, Cardiff, 123, outpointed Barry Ward, Nottingham, 124½, over six. . . . Stan Davies, Kettering, 197, stopped Ross Williams, Walsall, 212, in the second.

▶BIRMINGHAM. Johnny Mann, Birmingham, 136½, gained a hard earned points win over Ron Hinson, Dagenham, 135½, over eight rounds. . . . Mickey Driscoll, Brierley Hill, 138, outpointed Ray Hilliard, Leeds, 131½, over six rounds. . . . Jerry Barker, Beeston, 113, stopped Fred Wingfield, Nottingham, 115½, in the third. . . . Tommy Cummings, Dublin, 189, knocked out Peter Woodward, Birmingham, 182, in the first round. . . . Mick Leahy, Coventry, 150, stopped Richard Mensah, Gold Coast, 146½, in the third. . . . Eddie Lennon, Dublin, 161½, outpointed Jack Johnson Cofie, Gold Coast, 161, in the final six rounder.

▶BLACKPOOL. Arthur Donnachie, Greenock, 132, stopped Ansong Mensah, Gold Coast, 136½, in the second round. . . . Pat Glancy, Glasgow, 114, outpointed Lew Devroe, Liverpool, 115, over six rounds. . . . Jack O'Brien, Glasgow, 128, outpointed Jackie Tiller, Manchester, 124, over six rounds. . . . Tex Williams, Carlisle, 148, outpointed Gene Gordon, Stockport, 149, over four rounds.

▶GREAT YARMOUTH. Peter Ratcliffe, Bristol, 145½, fought in an aggressive manner to defeat Sani Armstrong, Gold Coast, 143¼, in the sixth of a scheduled eight rounder. Armstrong retired when he had received a badly gashed right eyebrow. . . . Ray Akwei, Gold Coast, 135½, outpointed Ray Hilliard, Leeds, 132, over six rounds. . . . Kenny Taylor, Norwich, 134, stopped Norman Veron, Guernsey, in the first session. . . . Andrews Marty, Gold Coast, 132, outpointed Kenny Thomas, Covent Garden, 127¼, over six rounds. . . . Jack Burnley, Hackney, 141, knocked out Johnny Mercer, Nottingham, 139, in the fourth. . . . Billy Downer, Stoke Newington, 117¾, outpointed Bobby Robinson, Newcastle, 116, over six rounds.

▶EPSOM. Alan Howard, Kentish Town, 137, was forced to retire in the fourth of a scheduled eight rounder with Peter Cobblah, Gold Coast, 139, when he had suffered a broken right hand. . . . Joe Armstrong, Gold Coast, 177½, stopped Phil Harrington, Guildford, 176½, in the third. . . . Albert Stokes, Battersea, 134, sneaked an eight rounds points win from Terry Russell, Poplar, 132, after an interesting

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS,
TO DECEMBER 24, 1956

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Joe Erskine (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Pat McAteer (E)	George Barnes (A)
2. James J. Parker (C)	Gordon Wallace (C)	Jimmy Elliott (SA)	Darby Brown (A)
3. Joe Bygraves (J)	Arthur Howard (E)	Mike Holt (SA)	Attu Clottey (WA)
4. Henry Cooper (E)	Randolph Turpin (E)	Johnny Sullivan (E)	Peter Waterman (E)
5. Kitione Lave (TO)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Yama Bahama (B)	Evie Vorster (SA)
6. Dick Richardson (W)	Alex Buxton (E)	Martin Hansen (E)	Hector Constance (T)
7. Alan Williams (A)	Johnny Halifihi (TO)	Lew Lazar (E)	Peter King (E)
8. Brian London (E)	Ismeli Radrodro (F)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Frank Johnson (E)
9. Peter Bates (E)	Albert Finch (E)	Billy McDonnell (A)	Jimmy Croll (S)
10. Manuel Burgo (E)	Ricardo Marcos (A)	Barry Brown (NZ)	Tommy Molloy (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Willie Toweel (SA)	Hogan Bassey (WA)	Peter Keenan (S)	Dai Dower (W)
2. Richie Howard (C)	Elijah Mokone (SA)	Kevin James (A)	Bindi Jack (A)
3. J. van Rensberg (SA)	Charlie Hill (S)	G. van der Walt (SA)	Frank Jones (S)
4. Joe Lucy (E)	Bobby Neill (S)	John Smillie (S)	Dick Currie (S)
5. Boswell St Louis (T)	Jimmy Brown (I)	George Dormer (E)	Pat Supple (C)
6. Jason Radebe (WA)	Matt Fulton (S)	Louis Joshua (SA)	Dennis Adams (SA)
7. Willie Lloyd (W)	Sammy Bonnici (M)	Peter Moledi (SA)	Gerry Jooste (SA)
8. Dave Charnley (E)	Percy Lewis (T)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Young Ado (WA)
9. George Bracken (A)	Bobby Sinn (A)	Teddy Rainbow (A)	Len Reece (W)
10. Ron Krogh (A)	Roy Jacobs (WA)	Ronnie Dean (SA)	Malcolm M'Leod (E)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (B) Barbadoes; (BE) Bermuda; (BG) British Guiana; (BH) British Honduras; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (GC) Gold Coast; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (WA) West Africa.

bout. . . . Johnny Collier, Stepney, 130, outpointed Dennis Saunders, Boreham Wood, 130½, over six. . . . Malcolm Affleck, Guildford, 166½, outpointed Jim Tunney, Ireland, 159, over six rounds.

▶WESTHAM. Ron Richardson, Canning Town, 144½, was disqualified in the fourth of a scheduled eight rounder with Charlie Cosgrove, Belfast, 148¼. Referee Tommy Little applied the closure, giving as his reason that Richardson was "ducking below the waist." . . . Eddie Lennon, Dublin, 161, stopped Tony Ratcliffe, Bristol, 157½, in the third. . . Wally Scott, West Ham, 160½, and Charlie Lake, Catford, 161½, drew over six rounds. . . . Al Thomas, Belfast, 137, stopped Pat Price, Newry, 138½, in the second. . . . Dennis Booty, Stepney, 161½, outpointed Dennis Wingrove, Dagenham, 160¾, over six hard rounds . . . Arthur Devlin, Millwall, 128, stopped Billy Graydon, Bethnal Green, 126, in the fourth. . . . Paddy Callaghan, Dagenham, 144½, outpointed Jimmy Norcott, Bethnal Green, 143½, over six rounds.

▶LIVERPOOL STADIUM. Jacky Butler, Preston, 147½, knocked out Joe Rufus, Nigeria, 147, in the eighth and last round. . . . Arthur McGregor, Middlesborough, 129, scored a close points decision over Jacky Tiller, Manchester, 120½, over six. . . . Gerry Jones, Wigan, 118, outpointed Lew Devro, Liverpool, 118, over six. . . . Ken Lancaster, Doncaster, 150½, knocked out Bill Boyd, Birkenhead, 154, in the first. . . . Tommy Summers, Liverpool, 165, won a six rounds points decisions from Danny Morgan, Pontefract, 169.

▶BLACKPOOL. Dick Tiger, Nigeria, 162, outpointed Alan Dean, 159½, over eight rounds. . . . Derek Clarke, Burnley, 136, knocked out Jimmy Cottrill, Birkenhead, 140, in the third. . . . Billy Riley, Liverpool, 148, outpointed Billy Kirk, Leeds, 147, over four. . . . Pat Donald, Dublin, 133½, knocked out Tony Russell, Leeds, 130½, in the fourth. . . . Derek McReynolds, Old Colwyn, 123, and Lol Reaney, Southport, 122, drew over four rounds. . . . Arnold Beaumont, Leeds, 148½, stopped Brian Petherwick, Preston, 150, in the third.

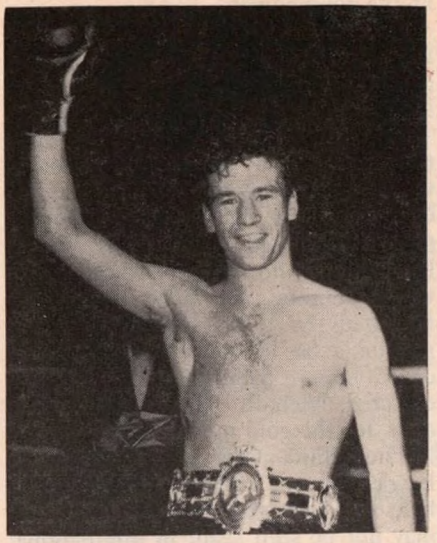
▶NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB. Johnny Read, Norwood, 160, and Jimmy Lynas, Coventry, 158½, drew over eight rounds. . . . Dennis Read, Norwood, 155½, won a narrow points decision over Tim Giles, Stepney, 156, also over eight rounds. Joe Greer, Coventry, 145½, stopped George Davis, Nigeria, 146½, in the fifth. . . . Ray Mann, Gold Coast, 138, stopped Johnny Cheatle, Portsmouth, 134, in the third. . . . Vic Bowyer, Hornchurch, 136, outpointed Deon Flack, Bermondsey, 134, over six. . . . Johnny Burke, Acton, 173½, outscored Billy Smith, Croydon, 168¾, over four rounds.

▶CARDIFF. Phil Edwards, Cardiff, 160½, stopped Sammy Milsom, Bath, 163, in the sixth, after Milsom had taken three long counts. . . . Ebe Mensah, Gold Coast, 137½, outpointed Teddy Best, Cardiff, 133½, over eight fierce rounds. . . . David "Darkie" Hughes, Cardiff, 137½, narrowly outpointed George Whelan, Acton, 137, over eight rounds. . . . Ronnie Rush, Trinidad, 139½, was disqualified in the first of a scheduled eight rounder with Bryn Phillips, Fishguard, 139½, for an alleged low blow. . . . Ron Elvin, Cardiff, 114½, knocked out Johnny Beaumont, Gloucester, 112, in the second. . . . Eddie Bee, Trinidad, 150, outpointed Eddie Williams, Tredegar, 150, over six. . . . Johnny McMullen, Cardiff, 147¼, knocked out Peter Perkins, Newport, 148¼, in the sixth and last round.

▶BELFAST. Ken Ashwood, Derby, 150½, knocked out Joe Collins, Lisburn, 152, in the fourth. . . . Leo McCutcheon, Lisburn, 140½, stopped Joe King, Belfast, 141½, in the fourth. . . . Gil Neill, Belfast, 129½, outpunched Billy Graham, Lisburn, 133½, and the referee stopped the one-sided bout in the third. . . . Danny Hatton, Belfast, 143½, stopped Johnny Blane, Belfast, 142½, in the third.

▶MANCHESTER. Ex-British Heavyweight Champion Johnny Williams, Rugby, 198½, announced his retirement from the ring after being stopped in six rounds by British Empire Heavyweight Champion Joe Bygraves, Birkenhead, 200.

Bygraves, still smarting under his defeat in the United States, set out to annihilate Williams, but the Rugby boxer marshalled his forces, and boxed his way out of trouble from the fearful swings of his coloured opponent. Williams was forced to accept the defensive role in the bout, and eventually Bygraves' aggression began to turn victory his way. In the sixth session Bygraves dumped Williams for a nine count,



British welterweight champion Peter Waterman, making his first appearance in six months following an operation, was not in his best form though he won convincingly over Idrissa Dione, European welterweight king, at Streatham.

and although he fought back well on rising, it was obvious that it was a last ditch stand, and when the bell sounded, Referee Jack Mahoney accompanied Williams to his corner, and to the announcement that Williams was retiring with a damaged eye, named Bygraves the winner.

Dave Charnley, Dartford, 136½, outpointed Alby Tissong, South Africa, 136, over eight fierce rounds. . . . Pat McCairn, Bethnal Green, 122¼, lost narrowly on points to John Smillie, Scotland, 124½, over eight rounds. . . . George Carroll, Covent Garden, 126¼, stopped Sammy Cosgrove, Belfast, 127, in the fourth. . . . Arthur Donnachie, Greenock, 134, stopped Leo Molloy, Birkenhead, 137, in the fourth. . . . Sammy Langford, Nigeria, 174½, outpointed Albert Scott, South Africa, 172, over eight rounds.

▶STREATHAM ICE RINK. British Welterweight Champion Peter Waterman, Clapham, 147¾, making his first appearance in six months, and following his recent operation for the removal of his tonsils, was not in best form when beating former European Welterweight Champion Idrissa Dionne, France, 148½. True, Waterman won convincingly, but he was obviously ring-rusty, and his usual precision punching was obvious by its being lacking.

Ex-British Featherweight Champion Sammy McCarthy, Stepney, 135, now in the midst of a smashing comeback campaign, clobbered Jaques Dumesnil, France, 134½, to defeat in four rounds. Referee Mickey Fox intervened when Dumesnil was helpless and at McCarthy's mercy. . . . Ayree Jackson, Gold Coast, 127½, outpointed Jimmy Black, Trinidad, 128, over eight uninspiring rounds. . . . George Martin, Bermondsey, 136, was stopped in the fourth session by John McNally, Belfast, 135¾, when he had sustained a badly gashed eyebrow. . . . Fenwick Ward, Trinidad, 217, stopped Rodney Gardner, Market Harborough, 200¾, in the fourth, the referee intervening when Gardner was in a bad way. . . . Freddie Cross, Nuneaton, 158¼, outpointed Teddy Barrow, Wales, 159¼, over eight rounds.

▶BUXTON. Cliff Giles, Linton, 125¾, outpointed Johnny Barr, Stockport, 134, over six interesting rounds. . . . Jack Johnson Cofie, Gold Coast, 157, outpointed Frankie Davies, Gloucester, 166, over six rounds. . . . Ken Lancaster, Huddersfield, 147½, knocked out Bill Wallage, Beeston, 147, in the fourth. . . . Doug Lewis, Nottingham, 138, knocked out Fred Jackson, Derby, 134, in the first. . . . Bill Clarke, Derby, 140, outpointed Danny Robins, Gloucester, 138, over six.

▶BLACKPOOL. Frankie Kelly, Liverpool, 125, knocked out Frankie Sayers, Newcastle, in the first of a scheduled eight rounder. . . . Alan Hand, Blackpool, 196, and Tommy Cummings, Ireland, 189, drew over six. . . . Tex Williams, Carlisle, 147, outpointed Roy Allway, Halifax, 148½, over four rounds. . . . Ron Barnard, Carlisle, 140, knocked out Jeff Hollingsworth, Halifax, 141, in the third. . . . Arthur Gomersall, Bradford, 144, stopped Jed Kerpack, Blackpool, 140½, in the third.

▶BELFAST. Derek Clarke, Burnley, 139, knocked out Leo McCutcheon, Lisburn, 139½, in the third. . . . Billy Corbett, Carrickfergus, 150½, outpointed Welsh Welterweight Champion Rees Moore, Luton, 151, over eight rounds. . . . Jim "Spike" McCormack, Belfast, 134½, stopped Albert Stokes, Battersea, 138, in the sixth. . . . Billy Adams, Belfast, 121, stopped Joe Nesbitt, Belfast, 119¾, in the fourth. . . . Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 133¾, knocked out Brian Finnegan, Belfast, 135, in the third.

▶MIDDLESBOROUGH. Former British Lightweight Champion Frank Johnson, Manchester, 147, had one of his easiest outings when he stopped Zigiaris Taki, Turkish Welterweight Champion, 145, in the third. Taki, never in the running, retired when he had damaged his right hand. . . . Scottish Middleweight Champion Willie Armstrong, Glasgow, 172, knocked out Tony Lord, Liverpool, 173, in the third of a scheduled eight rounder. . . . Len Mullen, Glasgow, 169, stopped Don McCall, Skipton, 173, in the second round. . . . John O'Brien, Glasgow, 128, outpointed John Bamborough, West Hartlepool, 127, over six rounds. . . . Pat Glancy, Glasgow, 114, knocked out Jimmy Lewis, Manchester, 115, in the fourth. . . . Arthur McGregor, Middlesborough, 127, outpointed Joe Barnett, North Shields, 128, over four rounds.

▶NEWCASTLE. Brian London, Blackpool, 198, knocked out Werner Wiegand, Luxembourg, 221, in the second round. . . . Tommy Du Preez, South Africa, 176, stopped Jack London, Blackpool, 174, in the third. . . . Stan Jackson, Newcastle, 141, knocked out Jackie Carter, Morpeth, 143, in the first. . . . Bob Baty, Newcastle, 158, knocked out Dennis Yearby, Leeds, 151, in the second. . . . Eddie Moran, Leeds, 135, outpointed Tony McGrory, Glasgow, 134, over six. . . .

▶A "must" for all boxing fans is the new book by Actor-Author Guy Deghy. "Noble and Manly". Published by Hutchinson's (London) it is the story of the National Sporting Club and it's predecessor the famous Pelican Club. Profusely illustrated and with anecdotes galore, it recaptures the atmosphere of this Golden Era of British Boxing and is a worthy item for any library devoted to Fistiana.

▶DERBY. Derek Liversidge, Retford, 147, gained a creditable points win over Billy Cobb, Chesterfield, 145½, in a ten round eliminating contest for Midlands Area Welterweight Title. . . Johnny Halafihi, Tonga, 173¾, defeated Billy Dean, Greenwich, 176¼, in the second round. "Southpaw" Deah, was forced to retire with a badly cut eye. . . . In a hectic six rounder, Owen Brady, Worksop, 194½, was awarded the decision over George Naufahu, Tonga, 193¾. . . . Johnny Mercer, Nottingham, 139¼, outpointed Billy Kirk, Leeds, 148, in six. . . . Barrie Adgie, Derby, 112, gained a points decision over Tony Williams, Welling borough, 113, in six. . . . Ken Ashwood, Derby, 149¼, stopped Arnold Beaumont, Leeds, 148, in the fifth.

▶BLACKPOOL. Jackie Butler, Preston, 145½, brought his Canadian and American ring experience to the fore in his eight round contest against the taller Bournemouth welterweight, Gordon Goodman, 142½, and his aggressive tactics, paid off. The points decision in favour of Butler, was loudly boo-ed, Butler deserved his win for forcing the bout throughout, and scoring several knockdowns.

Jacky Scott, Preston, 166½, outpointed Johnny Stansfield, Natal, 161, in four. . . . Freddie Bancroft, Cockermouth, 130, knocked out Peter Billingham, Manchester, 129, in the second. . . . Gerry Jones, Wigan, 119½, outpointed Lol Reaney, Southport, 119, in four. . . . Jed Kerpack, Blackpool, 141, outpointed Arthur Gomersall, Doncaster, 143, in four. . . .

▶BELFAST. Paddy Slavin, Belfast, 193, gained a points win over Johnny Williamson, Gloucester, 174, in a hard fought eight round bout. . . . Gil Neill, Belfast, 129½, defeated Billy James, Tegryn, 131½, in the second round, when the Welshman was forced to retire with a badly cut eye. . . . Danny Hatton, Belfast, 141, knocked out Len Donnelly, Derry, 138, in the third. . . . Jim Loughrey, Derry, 113, was to clever for Billy Adams, Belfast, 117, in their eight round bout, and the former won on points. . . . Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 133, was put down for a count of eight but came back fighting against Harry Stanford, Belfast, 137, and the latter was forced to take three counts in the second round before he retired, leaving Sharpe THE WINNER.

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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In the preliminaries Lieut. Pearce Lane in the welter class; Luis Molina of San Jose, California lightweight; Joe Shaw, St. Louis Golden Glover, a light welterweight, and Roger Rouse, of Opportunity, Montana, student in Idaho State College, all went into the fray as if they were tuning up in a gymnasium workout while their opponents went all out to clinch victory.

Rouse and Torres found the opposition too good because they didn't follow up their punches. Their opponents, Papp in the light middleweight class, and Gilbert Chapron, of France, in the middleweight division, kept going all the time.

A keen disappointment was Joe Shaw, the light welter representative of Uncle Sam. He was pushed out of the picture by Henry Loubscher, of South Africa, after eliminating Max Carlos, of Australia, handily. Loubscher, a stand-up British stylist boxer, peppered the American with rights throughout. Shaw, baffled by the southpaw stance of his opponent, a rangy, well built young man, missed too often to gain the nod.

Although the Irish won no gold medals, the Sons of Erin were among the most popular. Their fighting qualities were enjoyed by the spectators who cheered lustily for each. Their best was Tiedt who in my opinion, and that of the majority of reporters and spectators, received a raw deal from the judges in the finals.

Australia's failure to win in at least one group, was disappointing to the country that was host to the visitors. The Aussies had excellent talent in William Batchelor, flyweight; Bob Bath, bantam; Kevin John Hogarth, a welterweight and Anthony Madigan, light heavyweight, its outstanding performer. Unfortunately, the fortunes of war were against the Australians.

They were drawn against some of the toughest talent in the tournament. Madigan's close battle with the powerful Russian, Romoualdar Mouraouskas, was a tough one to lose.

BRITAIN'S McTAGGART RICHLY DESERVES TOP HONORS

The Olympic Committee made a good choice when it selected McTaggart as the outstanding all-around boxer of the tournament. The 21-year-old Royal Air Force boxer earned his spurs.

He is a southpaw, who kept pecking away at his opponent's face and hit the mark with almost every shot. He is as good a lightweight as any professional in the field today. He tosses punches with excellent timing and stood out in general ability. The light-haired Britisher gave the cleverest exhibition in the tournament.

Though Pentii Hamalainen of Finland, who won the 1952 bantam crown and shifted to the feather class in the Melbourne Games, was sidetracked by Tommy Nicholls of Great Britain after the Finn had eliminated another Olympic champion, Jan Zachara of Czechoslovakia, defending title holder, the blond-haired little Finn ranked high among the star performers in the week's tourney. He failed to get into the finals by a hair-line margin. He put up a far better performance than did Vladimir Safonov of Russia who defeated Nicholls, Hamalainen's conquer, for the gold medal.

The third Olympic triumph of Laszlo Papp of Hungary who won the light middleweight crown, is a feat that may not be seen again in international competition. He won the hearts of the spectators, who realized the mental strain under which he had trained. He had received no word of his wife, child and mother until two days before the finals. His family is in the center of the Hungarian warfare, and his coach had considerable difficulty keeping him in the Games.

The Melbourne meet stressed the rise of boxing in Germany, Korea and other Far Eastern countries. The Germans won a gold medal when Wolfgang Behrendt outpointed Sun Soon of Korea, a fighting little demon, and would have had at least one more entry in the finals had the officiating been a little better. The combined forces of East and West Berlin was one of the best balanced teams in the Games.

OLYMPIC TOURNAMENT LOADED WITH POOR DECISIONS

One thing stands out in my summing up of Olympic boxing impressions. Generally speaking, the officiating was awful. However, terrible decisons are nothing new in Olympic boxing. If the officiating can't be improved it would be better to forget the whole thing.

Particularly will the Irish recall the most astonishing verdict of the week when Fred Tiedt, far ahead on points, lost to Necolae Linca of Rumania. The good points in such international boxing competition are usually quickly forgotten but not so the faux pas of a judge or referee.

There was sufficient evidence by the large number of five men decisions that there is something radically wrong with the system of Olympic scoring.

When it becomes necessary, as so frequently was the case in the quarter-finals and finals, to call upon the referee for a deciding verdict after four judges had disagreed, either a new method of scoring should be adopted or new blood is necessary to supplant some of the veterans who seem to glorify their importance by repeated halting of the action, distracting the attention of a boxer and thus opening the way for a speedy sneak blow by his opponent which often became the turning point in the engagement. Judging a bout of three rounds shouldn't require five men to decide a victor especially since in such case, the referee has the final say.

OLYMPIC BOXING AND WRESTLING CHAMPIONS

BOXING

Flyweight Class—Terence Spinks, Great Britain.
Bantamweight Class—Wolfgang Behrendt, Germany.
Featherweight Class—Vladimir Safronov, Russia.
Lightweight Class—Richard McTaggart Great Britain.
Light Welterweight Class—Vladimir Enguibarian, Russia.
Welterweight Class—Necolae Linca, Rumania.
Light Middleweight Class—Laszlo Papp, Hungary.
Middleweight Class—Guenadii Chatkov, Russia.
Light Heavyweight Class—James Boyd, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Heavyweight Class—Peter Rademacher, Grandview, Wash.

WRESTLING

Free-Style

Flyweight Class—Marian Tsalkalmanidze, Russia.
Bantamweight Class—Mustafa Dagistanli, Turkey.
Featherweight Class—Shoze Sasabara, Japan.
Lightweight Class—Emamli Habibi, Iran.
Welterweight Class—Mistro Ikeda, Japan.
Middleweight Class—Nikola Nikolov, Bulgaria.
Light Heavyweight Class—Gholam Takhti.
Heavyweight Class—Hamid Kaplan, Turkey.
Team—Turkey, 39 points.

Greco-Roman

Flyweight Class—Nikolai Soloviev, Russia.
Bantamweight Class—Konstantin Vyropaev, Russia.
Featherweight Class—Rauno Makinen, Finland.
Lightweight Class—Kyosti Lehtonen, Finland.
Welterweight Class—Mithat Bayrak, Turkey.
Middleweight Class—Vuivi Kartozia, Russia.
Light Heavyweight Class—Valentine Nikolaev, Russia.
Heavyweight Class—Anatolii Parfenov; Russia.

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

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what they are talking about when they say of this or that gladiator: *"Asking him to make weight is like pulling teeth."*

Boris and Nicoli Volkoff are a pair of bewiskered Russian brothers who specialize in tag-team tussles. Recently they were paired against Yukon Eric and Dick the Bruiser in a match at the Chicago International Amphitheatre. Trouble developed, however, when Dick the Bruiser insisted that the Volkoff brothers shave off their whiskers.

"It is unsanitary and unhealthy for my opponents to be wearing whiskers in a wrestling match," said the Bruiser.

But the Russians, long experienced in handling ticklish international problems, exercised their right of veto again in this case and retained their facial adornments. The matter now goes to the General Assembly.

BOXING REVIEW—1956

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manager, and Harry Mendel, publicist and onetime promoter.

On the social side, boxing suffered a setback in 1956 through adoption by the state of Louisiana of a sports segregation law forbidding whites and Negroes to compete against each other.

As the year waned, the National Boxing Association called on the Louisiana Commission to exert its influence to have this Jim Crow law repealed. Unless there were repeal, the NBA threatened to ask all boxing people under its jurisdiction to erase Louisiana from their fields of activity.

PREVIEW FOR 1957

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eral international matches of fine quality:

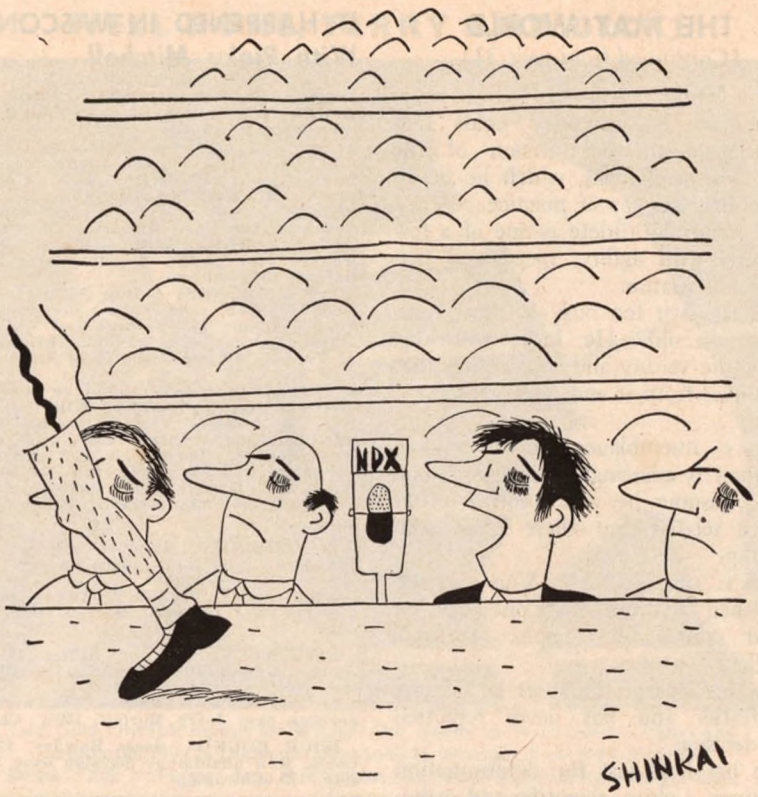
Mario D'Agata vs. Raton Macias, Rome ($85,000) or Mexico City ($75,000), for title.
Mario D'Agata vs. Leo Espinosa, Rome ($55,000), for title.
Mario D'Agata vs. Billy Peacock, Rome ($60,000) or Los Angeles ($45,000), for title.
Raton Macias vs. Billy Peacock, Mexico City ($55,000) or Los Angeles ($35,000).
Billy Peacock vs. Alphonse Halami, Paris ($35,000).
Raton Macias vs. Alphonse Halimi, Mexico City ($30,000).

THE HOUSE FLY

Should Pascual Perez, king of the flyweights, decide to leave his native South American haunts he would find several difficult foreign situations awaiting him. However, he wisely insists on fighting in his own back yard, unless the money is thoroughly to his liking.

Strong matches would include:

Pascual Perez vs. Memo Diez, Buenos Aires ($60,000) or Mexico City ($65,000), for title.
Pascual Perez vs. Dai Dower, Buenos Aires ($55,000) or London ($50,000), for title.
Pascual Perez vs. Hitoshi Misako, Buenos Aires ($45,000) or Tokyo ($35,000), for title.
Young Martin vs. Dai Dower, Barcelona ($25,000).
Young Martin vs. Robert Pollazon, Barcelona ($20,000).
Memo Diez vs. Young Martin, Mexico City ($25,000).



"BRONSON HAS REALLY BEEN WILD TONIGHT, FOLKS . . ."

How Patterson Did It

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far beyond his twenty-one years and left little doubt that he was sure of himself.

The signs were there to see, but it is easier to read them now.

Dan Florio who seconded Patterson in the big fight, pointed to Patterson as a puncher. *"Using six once gloves instead of eight used in previous fights helped give Floyd added power,"* said Dan.

Was this Patterson's toughest fight? *"No, Hurricane Jackson was my hardest fight . . . Moore could punch harder but that Jackson stays all over you and keeps coming."* said the champ.

In the dressing room Patterson was informed that his wife Sandra had given birth to a baby daugther, since named Elizabeth. The champ took it in stride with a big grin and two hours later was in his car enroute to New York to see his wife and newly born.

RESULTS OF THE MONTH

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BANTAMWEIGHTS

World Champion Mario D'Agata held to draw by Robert Tartari, 10 (non-title). Tartari previously outpointed French Champion Carmelo Costa outscored Paul Jorgensen, 10.

Ricardo Moreno kayoed Sherman Liggins, 2.

Dante Bini, 10 (non-title). Raul Macias won from Gaetano Annaloro, 10, and kayoed Ramon Young, 2.

German Ohm kayoed Hector Ceballos, 9. Jose Lopez beat Joel Sanchez, 10. Little Cezar held to a draw by flyweight Danny Kid, 12.

Masakasu Otsuka won from Frisco Concepion, 10. Manuel Armenteros kayoed Joaquin Carrillo, 9. Arab Jr. outpointed Saburo Otaki, 10. Mario DeLeon won over Mario Ruiz, 10. Spanish Champion Antonio Diaz lost to flyweight Young Martin on disqualification, 4, (non-title).

Roque Fernandez won from Chucho Tello, 10. Joe Becerra beat Chuy Guerrero, 10. Chuy also lost to Joe Medel, 10. Pimi Barajas kayoed Eddie Luna, 5, Eddie also was kayoed by Al Wilcher, 7. Marcelo Gonzalez kayoed Joe Herrera, 7. Jorge Herrera stopped Cachorro Martinez, 8, but was kayoed by flyweight Memo Diez, 4. Nacho Escalante kayoed Henry Morales, 8. Raul Leanos won over Memo Sanchez, 10, Memo halted Panchito Villa, 5. Chiquis Rosales kayoed Tibico Torres, 7, Torres also lost to Chocolate Barrera, 8. Ricardo Manzanillo stopped Cheto Fernandez, 5. Nando Carvajal won from Cubanito Gonzalez, 8. Chuy Rodriguez won on a disqualification over Kildo Martinez, 3.

Manuel Rodriguez beat Torito Jimenez, 10. Pedro Jose Gonzalez stopped Miguel Lazu, 7. Ramon Cervantes kayoed Jose Luis Salazar, 6. Babe Ruiz kayoed Percy Lightburn, 4. Edwin Sykes beat Rudolfo Ampudia, 6. Held to draw in first bout, 10, South African Champion Graham van der Walt stopped Ronnie Dean in return match, 6.

Alberto Martinez won over Agustin Campos, 10. Letterio Petilly outfought Juan Crespo, 10. Eduardo Guerrero kayoed Chavo Garcia, 7. Aristide Pozzali flattened Jose Alvarez, 4. Javier Garfias halted Chucho Alarcon, 2. Jorge Salazar halted Daniel Romero, 5. Al Asuncion kayoed Peter Keenan, 9. Dommy Urusa won from flyweight Memo Diez, 10. Claudio Martinez kayoed Juan Diaz II, 2.

FLYWEIGHTS

Mexican Champion Memo Diez stopped Jorge Herrera, 4.

Oscar Suarez defeated Roque Fernandez, 10.

European Champion Young Martin won on disqualification from bantamweight Antonio Diaz, 4. Dommy Urusa kayoed Johnny Ortega, 3.

French Champion Robert Pollazon decisioned former champion Guy Schatt, 10. (non-title). Zurdo Arce kayoed Chucho Rodriguez, 8, then fought a no-contest with Ernesto Castaneda, 7. Peter Zapata won over Mgerito Medina, 8.

Leo Silvestre drew with Romy Sison, 8. Emil de Leon beat Dado Cprpus, 6. Vic Campo won from Lory Articulo, 8. Kid Basas defeated Viva Zapata, 6.

Memo Diez lost to batamweight Dommy Urusa, 10. World Champion Pascual Perez outpointed Conrado Morera, 10. (non-title).

THE MAT WORLD

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weight lifting.

He uses a variety of holds that include an unusual version of the Bull Dog head locks, which he developed after months of practice.

This natural athlete is one of a few wrestlers with agility, speed and perfect co-ordination.

He is never too busy to greet fans, young or old. He loves wrestling, enjoys the variety and satisfaction that he derives from it and says, *"It's never boring"*.

Jack's resemblance to Don Leo Jonathan is amazing. At a glance one would assume he is a brother or at least a relative—but—there is no relationship.

Jack's uncle, Fred Von Schact, nourished a hope that one day he would convert his nephew into a wrestler.

For his love of the sport he became a wrestler and has never regretted that decision.

He has held fast the determination to remain a clean, scientific and orthodox wrestler and not the villian his uncle portrayed.

Jack's Mother was a circus aerialist. She hoped that Jack would continue wrestling and with her encouragement, the help and training of "Uncle Fred" —plus a lift from Jim Londos, the fundamentals of wrestling began.

They recognized his talent, his speed and endurance which are necessities. The gift of a keen eye and an alert mind are a few of his distinctive qualities, which constitute a fine wrestler.

When time permits Jack is an avid reader and enjoys paintings and ceramics.

This young real estate tycoon plans to do as his famous uncle.

As a team with Jerry Woods, Jack captured the Mid West tag team title. Jack's effective holds make him a feared contender for any title.

LEFT HOOKS FROM SCRANTON AND VICINITY

By Kenneth (Duke) Stigner

▶**"CHICK" SIMLER WAS ONE OF THE GREATEST LIGHTWEIGHTS BACK** in the days when fighters fought anyone in their class. Simler met 'em all and beat most of them. "Chick" answered the last bell after an illness the last part of the past year.

Simler was on the big circuit and met among others Johnny Dundee, Freddie Welsh, Matty Baldwin, Frankie Callahan and nearly every other "name" on the lightweight list. Simlers greatest triumph was registered over Welsh—when the Englishman ruled the lightweight division. In his last years "Chick" had been active as a boxing instructor in many Pennsylvania towns and he influenced many young fighters.

Waiting for the Bell . . . Boxing will resume here on a monthly basis. Hank Stezar with a new partner all set to go with new talent shows.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN

With Pinky Mitchell

JOEY GIARDELLO, 159¼, BROOKLYN WON THE UNANIMOUS 10 ROUND decision over Charlie Cotton, 152, Toledo at the Arena. The 5,218 fans paid $16,202.70.

SIX ROUNDS: Norman Johnson, 140, Milwaukee, won split decision over Ralph Cervantes, 141, Rockford, Ill.

Clarence Cook, 154, St. Louis, won split decision over Chet Mieszala, 161, Chicago.

FIVE ROUNDS: Andre Balderos, 158, Milwaukee, won split decision over Willie Barnes, 157, Chicago.

FOUR ROUNDS: LeRoy Allen, 145, Milwaukee, won unanimous decision over Jimmy Adams, 147, Chicago.

Jesse Bowdry, 173, St. Louis, knocked out Al Trimble, Chicago, at 1:55 of first.

▶After a good first round in which all officials gave Germany's Willi Hoepner, 174¼, the best of it, he ran into a left hook by the former Michigan State grad, Chuck Spieser, 172½, Detroit, in the 2nd which paved the way for a left right combination a few seconds later which spelled defeat.

Attendance 2,550, receipts, $5,588.25 after taxes.

SIX ROUNDS: Ralph Cervantes, 139½, Rockford, won split decision over Don Mason, 139, Milwaukee.

Eddie Smith, 163, Gary, won unanimous decision over Clarence Harbin, 160½, Chicago.

FIVE ROUNDS: Wilbur Dilley, 184, Milwaukee, won split decision over Charles Terrell, 180½, Chicago.

Le Roy Allen, Milwaukee, 145, won split decision over Jerry Mortell, 139¼, Chicago.

FOUR ROUNDS: Jesse Bowdry, 173, St. Louis, won unanimous decision over Sunny Ray, 175, Chicago.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND

By Don Hamill

LEWISTON, ME.—BUTSY GALLANT, 146½, RUMFORD, KNOCKED OUT LARRY GRIFFIN, 140¾, Auburn, in the eighth round for the vacant Maine welterweight title. Gallant floored the former champ at the bell ending the seventh round. Griffin was floored twice more in the eighth round before the kayo.

Aime Morin, 138, Lewiston, whipped Billy Sheridan, 140, Portland, in the six round semi-final. Bobby Kilbreth, 171, Lewiston, won over Gunboat Steeves, 162, Auburn, in another six spot. Walter Foster, a University of Maine student, stopped Eddie Gerrish, 145, Rumford, in the second of a four rounder. In the opener of four heats, Paul Martin, 140, Lewiston, outpointed Red Boucher, 138, Lewiston.

▶BANGOR AUDITORIUM—Vince Martinez, 149, Paterson, N. J., smashed out a two round knockout over Don Williams, 152, Worcester, Mass. Williams was dropped three times in the second heat before Referee Harry Dalton humanely called a halt.

Babe McCarron, 154, Brownville, won a ten round decision over the Maine welterweight champion, Busty Gallant, 152, Rumford, in a real Pier Sixer. Gallant came off the floor and carried the fight to McCarron but could not quite close up the gap. George Chimenti, 160½, Omaha, Nebr., punched out a six round decision over Saudi Chani, 162½, Marlboro, Mass. George Farnsworth, 164, Bangor, stopped Ronnie Philbrick, 157, Belfast, in three rounds. In the curtain raiser, Aime Morin, 135, Lewiston, iced Milo Blizzard, 139, Belfast, in two stanzas.

▶HOLYOKE—Valley Arena—New England lightweight champion Bobby Courchesne, 135, Holyoke, punched out a one-sided ten round decision over Pat McCoy, 134, Ireland.

Jeff Dyer, 214, Springfield, overpowered Tommy Black, 198, Bridgeport, Conn., and halted him in the third. Pat McCarthy, Jr., 131, Roxbury, continued his unbeated ways at the expense of Nick Spiro, 134, New Britain, Conn., whom he stopped in the second. Jimmy Tate, 157, Northampton, also remained undefeated with another soft touch in Herbie Fripp, 152, Bridgeport, who failed to last the first round. In a four rounder, Zarz LaFlamme, 123, Norwich, Conn., edged out a close decision over Terry Cosgrove, 125, Hartford.

ENSENADA NEWS

By N. Cuevas

IN A FEATHERWEIGHT BOUT, MIKE RIOS, Tijuana, decisioned Gregorio (Sargent) Medina, in an eight-rounder. Aurelio Delgado, 140, decisioned Joe Santiago, 139, in a bloody six round fight. Al Rodriguez, 135, halted Antonio Ortiz, 133, in three, and Henry Valdez, 119, drew with Jesus Corona, 118, in six.

Alvaro Ortiz, 110, drew with Hirman Runbia, 111, in four, and Raymundo Orozco, flyweight, decisioned Rafael Castro, in four.

BOXING IN PANAMA

By Juan Copeland

JESUS SANTAMARIA, 125½, GAVE MELVIN BOURNE, 127, A terrible drubbing over ten rounds at the Arena Colon.

Edwin Sykes, promising bantamweight, won a unanimous six rounds decision over Rudolfo Ampudia. Kid Chocolate II knocked out Kid Jamieson in the fourth round of a feather mill. In a lightweight battle, Rodolfo Henry won a four rounder from Battling Siki. The gate drew $900.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

PLAZA DE TOROS, TORREON:—JOE BECERRA, 117, GOT THE 10-ROUND DUKE OVER YOUNGSTER CHUY GUERRERO, 116. In the 10-round semi, newcomer Manuel "Pinky" Ruiz, 126, decisioned Hector Ramirez, 125. Veteran Domingo Hidalgo, 139, was too wise for hard favorite Daladier Urista, 141, and he bested the youngster in eight.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreón:—It was a real Championship match the one between Manuel "Zurdo" Mendoza, lightweight king of La Laguna and his official challenger Fidel Lucero, 131. At the end of the 12-plenty-of-action rounds the duke was for Mendoza. Felipe Sosa, 128, easily defeated Schmelling Tapatio (Felipe Tostado), 129, after ten rounds.

▶ARENA OLIMPICA, Gómez Palacio:—That kid Ernesto Figueroa, stablemate of fabulous Ratón Macías, has convinced everybody around here. Ernesto, 128, smashed César "Chino" Saavedra, 130, and put the Chino down on the canvas for two times. Of course, the 10-round decision was for Ernesto Figueroa. Newcomer Ramon Cervantes, 120, kayoed Jose Luis Salazar, 119, in the sixth. Luis "Chivo" Diaz, 130, iced Kid Sonora, 132, in the first round.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreón:—Joe Medel, 117, Mexico City, easily decisioned Chuy Guerrero, 116, in ten rounds. Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzáles, 126, nailed veteran Chino Padilla, 136, in seven rounds. Domingo Hidalgo, 137, and Manuel Varela, 134, drew in eight rounds.

NEWS FROM CUBA

By Dr. J. A. Vieites

CUBAN FLYWEIGHT KING GSCAY SUAREG, easily outpointed Mexico's bantamweight, Roque Fernández, scoring a knockdown, Julio Carreras, light-heavy king, stopped heavyweight Cecilio Valdés in eight.

▶Santa Clara: Kid Fichique, 145, scored a knockdown in the 7th to clinch a unanimous ten rounder over Chicagoan Louis Carr, 144¾. Nrado Paret, stopped Carlos Chivás in 2.

▶Havana: Tony Armenteros, 143½, was stopped in the 3rd, by invader Louis Carr, 141½. Angel García, 133½, won easily in 8 over Juán Babyface Medina, 133¼.

Sergio Ríos, 147, won in 6 from Rolando Becquer, 146. Julio Rojas, 112¾, stopped Erundino López, 115 in one, and Pablo Torres, 135, stopped Manuel Acosta, 131¼, in 2.

▶Santa Clara: Cuban Lightweight champ, Baby Cochét, 138½, won a unanimous tenner from José R. Flores, 143, in a return bout.

▶Havana: Cuban welter king, Miguel Díaz, 146½, lost a close, split verdict in ten to American Louis Carr, 143¾.

Pedro José (Huesito) González, 119½, upset Miguel Lazú, 116, stopping him in the 7th, after scoring a couple of knockdowns.

Taco Robinson, 137, won in 6 from Alexis García, 138; Lázaro Hernández Kessell, 141¾, won in 4 from Julián Yánes, 146, and Humberto de la Rosa, 124, won also in 4 from Carlos Suárez, 126.

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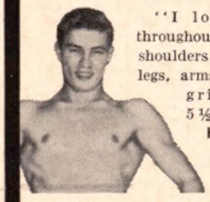

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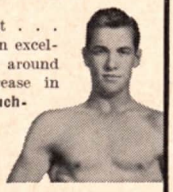

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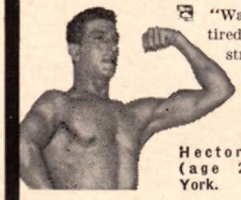

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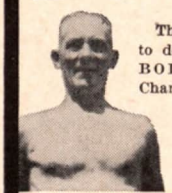

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